

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 217

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: AN ELEGANT 1805 COHEN-1 IN MINT STATE

DATE: 1805

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. IB touch; no stems on wreath. 6.51 grams.

AN-5563

GRADE_QUAL: MS 85.03

GRADE_NO: 60 SS faded mint choice

DESCRIP: Superb color and surfaces for the grade, this coin will entice any collector who enjoys these rare early Draped Bust coins. Mellow color with ample hints of red remaining in the fields. Discriminating numismatist, Certainly in the Condition Census, and tied with less than a dozen in known Mint State.

DIE_STATE: A small rim cud has formed just past A3, below the right ribbon end.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-539

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

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FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 218

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. Another. *5-55*
 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 55 *not so approach*
DESCRIPT: The color and surfaces *of* Mint State, but reduced a notch
because of a minor planchet lamination through the lower
reverse. Excellent color ranging from tan to brown on
either side, and again, a most beautiful coin that will
satisfy any collector. One tiny neck nick, another on the B
of the obverse. Well balanced, struck and preserved.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with no cud on the reverse.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-541
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 219

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805 82.56
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Good 5. Another. 5.35 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5'
DESCRIPT: While a couple of rim marks are noted as well as a scrape on the central reverse this coin does have one quite unusual feature. Liberty's profile is doubled, from her chin to her upper curls, just below ER. Tan with some mottled verdigris. Perhaps the dies shifted slightly during the striking process, and very similar to the 1804 Cohen-13 with the doubled profile on Liberty a few lots back.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-540
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 220

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: THE RARE 1805 SMALL 5, STEMS COHEN-2
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 6. Very Good 10. Both lower serifs weak on
T, small 5, fraction bar ends over the center of 2. ³⁰ 5.49
grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10 ^{VG}
DESCRIP: Here is one of the <MI>rarest</M> coins in this extensive series. In fact, Roger owned only 1 example of this die pairing, whereas he often acquired two or more of the other rarities. The surfaces could be a bit better, but the color is tan and the strike is sharp for this variety. Some faint scratches run parallel at a 60<198> descending angle on the obverse, mostly confined to Liberty. In addition, a wavy scrape can be seen just above Liberty's bust. On the reverse, the strike is bold from the rim to the wreath, ^{blocky} then weak on HALF CENT. At the center of the reverse ^{is a} is a series of shallow marks, where some bored ~~barbarian~~ tapped a blunt instrument repeatedly. We mention this not to detract from the coin, but merely to enumerate its minor problems, for we must remember that this is no common variety, but one of the better examples of this die pairing known. And a rare pairing it is, one of the few Rarity-6's to stand the test of time. This one probably is ~~tied at the~~ ^{1/1} ~~as #~~ low end of the Condition Census, the best pair rating only Very Fine. An important opportunity.
DIE_STATE: As Mr. Cohen discusses in his book, why this reverse die was discarded is unknown, aside from the weakness at the center, no breaks or cracks are known. The obverse was later used on the Cohen-3 pairing of this year and it elects to fail by massive swelling in the right field. No trace of the obverse swelling is seen on this example.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-542
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 221

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: RARE EARLY DIE STATE OF 1805 COHEN-3
DATE: 1805
MINT MK: *30*
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Good 5. Both lower serifs on T weak;
fraction bar begins over left edge of 2. 5.27 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD *81.33*
GRADE_NO: 5 *7.0A* ~~Deep bust rd w/~~
DESCRIPTION: Moderate porosity on both sides, visible in the fields.
However, wear on the devices reduces the effect. On the
reverse, someone has scratched both above and below the
right side of the wreath, above LF and under MER. While
this coin is scarce in any grade, it is decidedly rare with
only a trace of the obverse bulge, and should therefore
attract the attention of die state specialist even with its
minor problems.
DIE_STATE: The obverse shows only a trace of the bulge in the ~~left~~ right
field, and this is clear even with the porosity. Weak at
the central reverse on H and CE, as usual, for this
variety. Finally, the die chip (or engraver's scratch) from
the right foot of A3 is not visible, perhaps due to the
porosity.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-543
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: RESPECTABLE 1805 COHEN-3

DATE: 1805

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity ~~5~~. Very Fine 20. Another ~~5.31~~ grams.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 20

20 ~~EF~~²⁰ net 12

30

81.94

DESCRIP: Choice medium brown color and surfaces too! For this coin to be appreciated, the collector need look no further than the Condition Census. Opening Roger's second edition, his Census reads (1) EF<197>VF (3)<197>F (7). Perhaps a few others have been discovered in the past nine years, but this coin clearly resides in the top 6 known. Identifiable by a mark above and left of the ribbon, another horizontal one in the upper curls, starting near the top of her forehead. On the reverse a glass finds scattered circulation marks, mostly near the center where the weak strike contributed to this affliction. This variety has long been known as the "Small 5, Stems" 1805. However, confusion arises in that there are two die pairings that fulfill this qualification, both the Cohen-2 and Cohen-3. Therefore, we have selected the fraction bar as the determining factor, it begins above the center of the 2 on Cohen-2, and near the left edge of the 2 on Cohen-3. In either case, any "Small 5, Stems" is a find as both are quite rare. A foremost rarity in choice condition, one worthy of a strong bid.

DIE_STATE: Unlike the previous coin, the right field shows strong sinking from the Y down to Liberty's bust, as each successive strike caused the swelling to grow and deepen. Additionally, small pits formed in the die, the most obvious close to the dentils straight across from the tip of Liberty's nose. The final diagnostic, the chip or engraver's scratch, is sharp from the right serif of A3 toward the ribbon.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-544

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 223

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Very Good 7. Another. ^{83.8} 5.39 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7
DESCRIP: Milk chocolate color on either side, and well struck, even on the central reverse. This die pairing has the reputation of usually being found with poor surfaces and other problems. Here is an alluring example that boasts problem free surfaces and enticing color. One small mark to the right of the D will help to identify this example for future reference.
DIE_STATE: The bulge is still in the gentle knoll stage, before the inflated Everest appearance terminated this obverse's use. Also, the rim chip is visible across from Liberty's nose, as is the mark on the right serif of A3.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-547
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 224

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1805

79.78

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Good 5. Another. 5.17 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: GD

GRADE_NO: 5

DESCRIP: Dark brown color, evenly distributed on both sides. A pair of ancient scratches above the ribbon, and a small mark below the chin are about the only marks worth noting. On the reverse, circulation marks are evident, mostly near the center, as the weakness in this area allowed the central reverse to collect more marks than the protected outer rims. This is one of the many challenges of designing coins: keeping the fields busy enough with devices to protect the smooth fields from the numerous marks that occur during circulation. First of all, high rims with dentils protect the entire coin, then the highest devices (such as Liberty's hair, the lettering, wreath etc...) receive the most marks, and lastly, only well directed marks settle in the surrounding fields by missing these devices. On this die pairing, the central reverse is usually poorly struck, allowing a higher number of marks to become visible, rather than hidden by the devices.

DIE_STATE: Heavy swelling in the right obverse field, weakly struck on the central reverse.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-550

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 225

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Good 5. Another. 5.12 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
79.01
DESCRIP: Dark brown with minor porosity on both sides. A few marks
are noted, a couple on the neck, another behind the ribbon,
and one above the L on the reverse. Perfectly acceptable
for this variety, which is usually found much worse and
with abundant problems. One for the collector who demands
value.
DIE_STATE: Usual die state with the bulge strong, and central reverse
weak.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-546
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LCT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 226

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Good 4. Another. ^{84.88} 5.50 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: The detail of a higher grade, but during some past idle hour some forgotten individual filed most of the rim, producing the appearance of reeding, but clearly done after this one left the Mint. Nevertheless, the balance of the coin is reddish brown, with darker color highlighting the devices. Weakly struck at the center of the reverse, as nearly always seen on this die pairing.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with previously mentioned inflated Everest swelling in the fields, die chips along the left obverse rim, and mark from the right serif of A3.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-548
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 227

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK: 86.73
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Good 5. Another. ~~5.62~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark brown fields, with lighter devices that combine to give the appearance of a higher grade. One orange spot on the lower curl, and several shallow pin scratches clustered in the central reverse. A coin that should be viewed, as the problems may prove distracting to some buyers, but unimportant to others. Still a rare coin in any grade.
DIE_STATE: Moderate swelling in the field, the die chips visible, but weak and the extension on the right serif of A3 visible.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-549
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 228

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Good 4. Another. ~~5.20~~ grams. Sc. 25
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4 ^{6 net 3}
DESCRIP: Steel gray to brown ~~reeler~~, and clean surfaces on the obverse. On the reverse however, is a sharp dent from the left wreath to below the H, which is deep enough to produce a small bulge below Liberty's ribbon. Were it not for this mark, the coin would be pretty nice, and still worthy of a place if the others offered before prove elusive.
DIE_STATE: Heavy bulge before Liberty's face, as usual, with the familiar chips along the rim, and the chip on the right serif of A3 toward the ribbon.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-545
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: - CC 1805 GY.

DATE: 1805

MINT MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 2. Mint State 60. Large 5 touching bust; fraction bar begins over left edge of 2. 84.72 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60 ~~SS~~

DESCRIP: A lovely specimen of this common variety, one which exudes ~~the quite elegance of Gilbert Stuart's classical rendition of Liberty~~. As we have stated, and here again hammer on this important point, Draped Bust Half Cents in Mint State are <MI>rare.<M> Only a few small hoards have been discovered, these now widely dispersed. But this is as it should be, for where was our country during this infancy period? Chaos reigned. Coins from various world countries circulated along with our issues and many areas had never seen a coin from the new Philadelphia Mint by 1805. The dribble produced out of Philadelphia usually circulated, and circulated hard until they were lost, buried or returned for recoining. Few were saved. Even fewer survive in a grade approaching Mint State. The point we are trying to make is that we heartily recommend the purchase of at least one example from these high grade coins offered herein. Identifiable by a vertical mark before Liberty's neck and a small spot on the B. The reverse is even nicer, one tiny stain on the left side of O shows that this is the plate coin from both editions of Roger's book.

DIE_STATE: One of the middle die states, with a crack connecting the base of 18, another up from the left side (lower) of 1 which just misses the curl into field, and yet another through the base of LIBERT and middle of Y into field toward the rim. A heavy, lumpy break connects the top of 1 to the lower loop of the 8, and a similar lumpy break extends up into the field from the second curl from the bottom. Much of the obverse die exhibits roughness, from improper annealing or polishing, and this feature is seen on most examples. On the reverse, triple clash marks are clear along the left side of the wreath, between the leaves. Lastly, the chip from the right serif of the A is clear.

PEDIGREE: Ex G. Harris

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER NO: 2-551

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 230

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1805

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 55. Another. 5.60
grams.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 55'

DESCRIP: Excellent steel brown color on either side, which combines the 2 sides
with hints of mint luster and lots of charm to produce a very eye appealing example of the late die state. Free of handling marks and the high points show only a hint of wear (actually cabinet friction), so be prepared to pay a premium for this specimen, its well worth it. One tiny planchet lamination below the 5 and a speck is located left of the L. Boldly struck and an impressive coin! with lots of curtain

DIE_STATE: The obverse die state had greatly deteriorated since the prior coin was struck. Numerous chips and fissures appear in the obverse fields, including a strong example of Gilbert's "diminutive Goatee" on Liberty's chin. Observations confirm the crack through the bases of LIBERTY extending beyond in either direction, another crack connecting the bases of 18 well up into the left field below the curls, another through the middle of 18 with lumps and a similar lumpy one up from the second curl into the field. Lastly, another crack from the rim to the 5, bust and well into the field on the right. Aside from this collection of cracks, the reverse has its own evidence of aging. The triple clash marks appear to have been ground down a bit, although two show clearly, others more faintly. Above ES O the dentils have faded away, and this may be evidence of rim break, as others are clear and sharp nearby. One for the specialist to study and admire.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: E

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-552

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

Crack

86.42
*Best of the choice
Aug 12, 2008
and listed
in this
year*

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 231

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Small high 6, B below E at base; no stems. 5.46 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS 60/
GRADE_NO: 60/
DESCRIP: Steel blue with greenish hints about either side, with abundant original luster combining to make a most beautiful example of this variety. An arc of toning extends from Cl to the rim above II on the reverse. Here again, this workhorse "No Stems" reverse die was pulled off the shelf to strike another bin full of Half Cents. It had been used in both 1804 and again in 1805, always producing a large number of coins. This coin is identifiable by a small planchet flake below F1 on the reverse, the only other item to note are a few scattered spots in the right obverse field. One would be hard put to find a better one, although several exist in Mint State. One of the most common Half Cent varieties.
DIE_STATE: On the obverse, slight weakness is noted at the top of LIB, otherwise well struck. By the time this coin was struck, the obverse die had clashed with the reverse, and clash marks are visible on either side of Liberty. The reverse rim has a small cud just below the right ribbon end, which formed during the tail end of production of the 1805 Cohen-1 No Stems variety.
One confusing error in Gilbert's 1916 variety book on Half Cents was the notation that top of 6 touches the drapery. For many years (the Gilbert referenced book being the standard reference book until Roger printed his first edition in 1971) cataloguers listed 1806 Half Cents as "not in Gilbert" but with dies very similar to G-1 because the 6 did not touch the drapery.
PEDIGREE: Ex Benjamin M. Douglas
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-553
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

:: cohen, RECORD NO. 232

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT_MK:
RADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another. 5.54
grams.
RADE_QUAL: AU 85.49
GRADE_NO: 50 4 \oplus
DESCRIP: Mostly milk chocolate color with some mottling on both sides. Liberty has a halo of green along her face and bust. Trivial circulation marks only, identifiable by one tiny rim mark above E2, and a single field mark below N2. An excellent example of this die pairing.
E_STATE: The obverse clash marks from the wreath are visible, and the crack through the tops of LIBERTY is present, although very faint. The rim breaks over MERICA to below the fraction are difficult to see as the entire rim is rounded from the strike centering (the dentils are very weak, but the chips are not visible when compared with the next example offered).
)IGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
ASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-554
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 233

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another. 5.58
grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50 *40*
DESCRIP: Medium tan with hints of mint color near the devices. One shallow scrape bumps through the R on the obverse, and a faint pin mark can be seen below RICA to the ribbon end. Well struck and quite respectable for the late die state collector.
DIE_STATE: Late die state, the obverse crack through the tops of LIBERTY is present, ~~and much of the rim above AMERICA to the fraction shows duds above the dentils.~~
PEDIGREE: From Superior's Wyatt Sale, September 1985, Lot 152
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-555
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

86.1

*above of teluric
and there are several breaks between AM,
above the right side of M is over, or
above A1, between IC and from A3 to the
right stem end.*

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: HIGH GRADE 1806 COHEN-2, SMALL 6, STEMS
DATE: 1806 55
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Very Fine 35. Small high 6, B above E at base; RI touch at base. ~~55~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF likely 81,64
GRADE_NO: 35 ~~40 net 35~~
DESCRIP: Dark brown color on the obverse with blue highlights on the reverse, ~~perhaps~~ from an old cleaning and expert retoning. Actually a higher grade, but reduced because of shallow scrapes in the right obverse field, one extending from Liberty's chin to the rim, another shorter one in the field above. A pair of nicks are located on the ridge of Liberty's nose. ~~One of the varieties that seldom is available in high grade and worthy of the finest collection. Certainly in the Condition Census as this is one of the twelve best known.~~ Collectors must bear in mind that many of the high grade coins known are locked away in famous collections, and that an offering such as this will likely not occur again anytime soon. In fact, a few of the truly rare varieties in this collection have not been offered at public auction in <MI>decades! <M>
DIE_STATE: One the obverse at the bases of RT four rows of impressed dentils are clear. One of the dies must have become quite loose and clashed the obverse repeatedly in this location, creating the four rows of impressed dentils. No trace of the break below the 06 of the date to drapery.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y 
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-556
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 235

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Fine 12. Another. 79.32 5.14 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 ~~6~~
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, much higher in fact, but damaged by several shallow cuts, from being struck with a sharp knife or other blade instrument, nearly all on the obverse. One of these marks extends horizontally from the rim through the hair and along Liberty's jaw to the other rim, the others are less obvious. Most of the marks are located on the rims. On the reverse there are a couple of small planchet laminations, both on the rim, one above U, the other between D S. Nice color and surfaces otherwise, and still one of the better examples of this variety to exist, although not in the Condition Census. Plated in the first edition of Roger's book, obverse and reverse.
DIE_STATE: The dentils impressed below the RT have weakened a bit.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-558
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 236

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Good 5. Another. 5-06 grams. 78.09
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark, even brown color with faint but numerous scratches on either side. In addition, there is a series of small pock marks on Liberty, a bump just above the ribbon and another near the bust tip. On the reverse is a small scratch between H down between CE to the ribbon bow. Nice color and important to represent the late obverse die state.
DIE_STATE: The obverse die has now cracked at the rim below the 0 up through the base of 6 to the drapery.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-557
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 237

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: IMPORTANT 1806 COHEN-3 HALF CENT
DATE: 1806
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 6. Good 6. Small high 6, B below E at base;
RI touch at base. ~~5.10~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD 10
GRADE_NO: 6 78.70
DESCRIP: Medium brown fields on the obverse with lighter devices. One area of red corrosion surrounds Liberty, a bit above her head, but mostly before her face and below, extending to the rim near her bust. A few trivial scratches on her lower curls and drapery, remain neatly hidden by the devices. Trivial scrapes can be found with a glass, some in the left field, others on Liberty, but none detracting or very annoying. Turning to the reverse, nearly all of which is covered with carpet of red corrosion, a glass fails to find any significant marks. One arc from E1 to T3 remains the brown color of the obverse. As we have mentioned previously, copper tends to attract this type of surface over long periods, for copper is an active metal which reacts with the air, forming corrosion. In this case, an even layer of red color, with the appearance of a dusting of paint, is present over much of the coin. But the important point remains that this is a <MI>Cohen-3</MI>, not a fact to be taken lightly to be sure. For only a handful exist in all grades. The Finest seen grades a mere Fine (of which there are 2), another half dozen or so exist in Very Good. Clearly, if you need this variety, you had better not wait for a finer one to turn up, as you may have to wait a very long time.
DIE_STATE: The crack through the tops of LIBERTY is not visible, nor is the reverse crack above ICA.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson, earlier B. Batchelder
PHOTO: Y (Robert)
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-559
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM: A MINT STATE 1806 COHEN-4.

TYPE: A TRIO OF MINT STATE 1806 COHEN-4'S

DATE: 1806

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Large 6 firmly touching bust; RI close at base, but do not touch, thin fraction bar on right. 5.43 grams.

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GRADE_QUAL: MS 8280

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIPT: Undoubtedly from the large hoard dispersed by the Chapman brothers after the turn of this century, this one without the annoying spots and enticing original red near the devices. The balance of the coin is brown. Free of handling marks or problems and well struck on all but the upper leaves and S2 as is common to this die pairing.

DIE_STATE: A large hoard was found long enough after production to allow most to be retained in Mint State and not spent. One of the only "common" draped bust Half Cents in Mint State. This particular coin has the ever present weakness at the top of the wreath and S2, but shows nearly all of the drapery lines and excellent definition on Liberty's curls. The reverse is rotated about 20°. Repunching on the 6 is still sharp.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-560

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: ANOTHER MINT STATE 1806 COHEN<4

DATE: 1806

MINT MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 1.-Mint State 60. Another. 5.44 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60 SS , but fine

83.95

struck

Very weak

c?

DESCRIP: Nearly identical in color and surfaces to the preceding example, ~~this one also~~ has lovely mint red near the devices with the balance of the coin a medium brown. Liberty's drapery lines have less definition as do the upper leaves of the wreath. The ES are weak. Scattered handling marks, none major. If you missed the last one, be sure to stretch for this coin, it is well worth it. Here again, a magnificent Half Cent that would be the highlight of most collections.DIE_STATE: The reverse die had only slightly rotated when this coin was struck, with the typical weakness described above. A tiny rim break is noted above the B on the obverse, which covers the outer half of three dentils. ~~This break is also visible on the previous coin, but the centering makes it nearly impossible to see.~~ Perhaps this is the beginning of the break which spans from rim to rim through the tops of ERTY.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-561

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

, very weakly struck

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 240

DENOM: *1806*
TYPE:
FEATURES: A FINAL MINT STATE 1806 COHEN-4
DATE: 1806 *85,65*
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Another. 5.55 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60 *60 net Se high grade*
DESCRIP: A final example in Mint State, this one very glossy with light tan color on either side and abundant mint luster, but lacking the original red of the previous pair. One mark on Liberty's neck and another series below the Y are present, but not detracting. Weak on Liberty's drapery lines and the upper reverse, otherwise sharp. Free of spots on the surfaces except for one on the edge across from Liberty's bust. Simply splendid.
DIE_STATE: The reverse is rotated about 30<198>. No trace of the obverse break above ERTY, and the repunching still shows on the 6. The rim break above B is missing due to centering, as on most examples.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-562
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT_MK: 83.64
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another. ~~5.42~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 *(Crest)*
DESCRIP: Dark brown color throughout with normal handling marks for
the grade.
DIE_STATE: As the reverse die continues to rotate clockwise, this being
about 70~~<198>~~ from center, the weakness in the strike moves
~~about~~. Here the devices are weak at the tops of LIBE on the
obverse, strong on the drapery lines, the reverse weak all
along the lower right side to below the fraction, while
strong at the upper wreath. The tiny ~~rad~~ is visible in the
dentils above the B, but no crack through ERTY yet.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: *thin break*
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-563
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE: a/50

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 242

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 1. Good 5. Another. 5.18 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5 *6nd A*
DESCRIP: Dark brown with some minor rim marks on the left obverse,
other marks on Liberty and still more at the center of the
reverse. Weak only on the bottom of the reverse.
DIE_STATE: The reverse die has now rotated about 120° clockwise.
from center.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-564
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1807
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 50. T missing the lower left serif; RI close, but do not touch, fraction bar thin on right. 5.41 grams. 63
GRADE_QUAL: AU S3.98
GRADE_NO: 50 AS
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown, even on both sides. Well struck and centered, and nearly free of circulation marks. Identifiable by a tiny scrape on the right side of A1. This variety is very difficult to find in full Mint State. A rich, silky coin that exhibits wonderful definition of each device. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book as the "Late State" obverse and reverse.
DIE_STATE: Struck after the dentils were all but ground off, perhaps to remove clash marks or other die problems. After this process the fields have a rounded and scaly appearance on the obverse.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier Lester Merkin's Sale, June 1968,
Lot 84
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-565
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 244

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1807
MINT_MK: 86.72
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. 5.49 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Nice color and surfaces with only a few scattered marks. One mark is located on Liberty's drapery, above the 07 and the reverse has another old scrape near the first S. Plated in the first edition of Roger's <MI>American Half Cents</M>, both obverse and reverse. If you want to purchase a plate coin from this historic collection, this one ought to be affordable.
DIE_STATE: Early die state, and rare thus, with most of the dentils sharp on either side.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-566
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1807

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 35. Another. *85. '8* 5.52 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 35 *2c*

DESCRIPT: Another example of the early die state, this one with excellent tan to milk chocolate color with a greenish hue on either side. A pair of marks in the field near Liberty's chin, a few others on her, but none deep or annoying. Rarely found this nice.

DIE_STATE: Early die state, full dentils on either side, the 7 recut with a faint crack through its top into either field. Small lumps have formed on the obverse die, one in the field behind the ribbon, another very close to her lips, also in the field. Die file marks clear on Liberty above the drapery (these appear as parallel lines on many dies of this era, after many strikings and polishings, most of these lines fade).

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-567

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1807
MINT_MK: *315/10*
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. 5.45 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 *w*
DESCRIP: Typical brown color and pleasing. What is unusual about this coin is the rotated reverse, which is about 315<198> clockwise from center. One minor mark on the rim above E3.
DIE_STATE: Late die state without the dentils, but no trace of the rim crumblng on the obverse (not enough rim shows to determine if they are there).
PEDIGREE: From Stack's store stock
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-568
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1807
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 20. Another. <BI>Struck about 10% off-center. 5-28 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
E/45
GRADE_NO: 20 *Knd w*
DESCRIP: Dark brown to black in color. The obverse has some pit marks from circulation, one on the rim below the Y, another above the bust. Struck about 10% off-center toward the date, with about half of the digits missing, the reverse also off-center with the tops of TATES OF A partially gone. Usual late die state with very weak dentils. An error for the specialist, and great for die state study as the rims of 1807 Half Cents are normally so weak, here at least half of the detail is extra sharp (what little detail there is, of course).
DIE_STATE: It is clear from this coin that the dentils had been nearly ground off both dies. For the rim is bold along the off-center portion, and only a trace of the dentils are present, the strongest above the bust and below the fraction.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-569
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 248

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1807

MINT_MK:

75.C3

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Good 8. Another. 5.51 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: VG

GRADE_NO: 8 ^{10nd 7}

DESCRIP: Struck slightly off-center on the obverse, toward the ribbon ends. The reverse is well centered (?) and one must conclude that the dies were not properly aligned when this coin was struck. As a result, the obverse is weak on the left side, weakening the L, ribbon and some of the upper curls. Minor gouges noted: one by the 1 in the date, two more at the base of Liberty's neck. One area of green color in the middle of the left branch. An interesting coin to study, probably made near the end of the early die state as many dentils are clear.

DIE_STATE: Most of the dentils are clear, where struck up. The recutting on the 7 is clear.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-570

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: CONDITION CENSUS #5 OF 1808, 8 OVER 7 COHEN-1

DATE: 1808#

MINT_MK:

25

GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-1. Rarity 7. Good 4. LIB close at base; tip of leaf below post of D, lower right side very weak. .5.26 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: GD

GRADE_NO: 4 ^{6 net A}

DESCRIP: Medium brown on the obverse and reverse with a patch of brown roughness from Liberty's neck up to the E and field below Y. The TY weak on the obverse. Two reverse marks can be used for identification, one below O at the center of the triple leaf tip, another on the top right ribbon bow. Struck perfectly centered on the obverse, but completely misaligned on the reverse, so that the tops of MERICA and the fraction are missing. The wreath is also weak in this area. However, the important cracks are clear on the tops of ITED and the other at the tops of STATE. This coin is rated as the Fifth Finest Known of this impossible variety, still needed by many specialists in this series. A foremost rarity and one of the most difficult coins to locate in any grade. Plated in the first edition of Roger's work on Half Cents.

DIE_STATE: Middle die state with the crack along ITED and STATE, but the dentils are still in place where the cracks meet between D and S1. On even later die states, these dentils break away, forming a cud.

PEDIGREE: Ex Benjamin M. Douglas and the Discovery Specimen of this variety

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: B

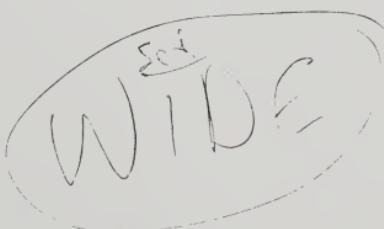
OWNER_NO: 2-572

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:



DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A SECOND EXTREMELY RARE 1808, 8 OVER 7 COHEN-1
DATE: 1808#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-1. Rarity 7. Fair 2. Another. Early die state. 4.66 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: FR 71.91
GRADE_NO: 2
DESCRIPT: Olive steel atop the usual even brown color on either side. The obverse has corrosion, some in the form of tiny pits, with two larger areas, one in either field. Similarly, the reverse has corrosion and pitting. As exhibited on the other 7 examples known, all were struck with misaligned dies, so that the rim over TED STAT is very strong, while the rim above AMERICA and the fraction is very weak. Curiously, the obverse is well struck and centered on this variety. This misalignment placed additional pressure with each strike on this strong point of the rim, causing the reverse die to break. However, when this example was struck, only a hint of the break had formed from the rim to the tops of STAT, making this one of the earliest die states known. As the reverse quickly broke apart, only a handful were struck, to date the Condition Census lists 8 coins, with this example a single notch below the previous offering, as the <MI>Sixth Finest Known.<M> Missing from nearly every major collection of Half Cents, including our extensive Jack Robinson Sale. This variety was discovered by Roger Cohen in 1952. And to date, only a few others known and all are currently locked away in very strong hands, and will likely remain so for the foreseeable future.
DIE_STATE: It is hard to believe that the Very Fine and Finest Known example of this variety was purchased as a Gilbert-1 (Cohen-2 now) a scant 21 years ago by a now famous Half Cent collector, who traded it for several other enticing Large Cents. This Very Fine coin is now firmly locked away in a mid-west collection. Likewise, the others known reside comfortably in various other variety collections. Unless a few others turn up as type or <BI>Redbook coins, this die pairing will continue in the steps of the famous 1795 Sheldon-79 Large Cent, with several collectors needing only this one variety to complete their collections. Luckily for collectors, two examples are now available from the Cohen collection, and two more collectors can finally purchase this variety. A very early die state for this die pairing, and may well be one of the first coins struck, with only a light crack from the rim to the STAT at top. No trace of the crack is visible above ITED, although the roughness obscures what evidence there may be.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ricky Gross, earlier Steve "sharp eye" Fischer and Fred Borcherdt
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-571
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CHOICE 1808, 8 OVER 7 COHEN-2
DATE: 1808#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35. LIB close at base; leaf tip between ED, engravers scratch from right stem nearly to A3. 5.42 grams. 63
GRADE_QUAL: VF 83.64
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Medium brown chocolate color throughout the obverse, a bit mottled on the reverse. A few trivial pin scratches reside in the lettering of the central reverse, but they are toned over and provide only minimal detraction. Well struck and centered, a very choice otherwise. Based on those reported, this coin appears to be in the Condition Census, near the low end of the top dozen.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with only the faintest trace of the crack connecting TY at the top.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier Merkin's Sale, March 1969, Lot 614
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-573
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 252

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another.
5.19 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG 10.0?
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Dark milk chocolate color on both sides and quite pleasing.
One small lamination is located at the rim behind Liberty's
ribbon, as a small mark is noted just before her eye.
DIE_STATE: Early die state, identical to the preceeding coin, with a
faint crack through the tops of TY only.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-578
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 253

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another. 5.25
grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Milk chocolate fields with the devices a bit lighter on
either side. Normal handling marks, but not enough to knock
this coin out of the choice catagory. Perfect for the die
state collector.
DIE_STATE: The die crack has now progressed along the tops of BERTY to
the rim below Y. Interestingly, the cud portion above Y to
the rim has begun to fall from the die, so that the field
area along the rim (which later becomes the cud) is below
the surrounding field, making this one of the few "retained
cuds" in this series and similar to the 1804 Cohen-2 Half
Cent offered earlier.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-574
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 254

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. 5.00
grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD / *first*
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Moderately porous on either side, but the devices are clear
and comparatively free of this detriment. Clean rims and
well struck, and a tough to find die state.
DIE_STATE: By now the chip had fallen from the die above TY, forming a
mounded cud to the rim. Also, the crack extends along the
top of BERT, but does not appear to extend above B to the
rim (porosity obscures this area a bit).
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-575
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 255

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808#
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another.
5.34 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 ^{VS}
DESCRIP: Delightful dark milk chocolate throughout! Furthermore, the surfaces are clean, and nearly free of serious contact marks. One tiny rim bump below the 1 of the date and a tiny speck just beneath the upper leaves will serve to hallmark this coin. And too, the strike is bold, well centered on the obverse, a bit off to the lower right on the reverse, making the rim on the left strong and heavy (by the way, this is not a Cohen-1, although this is diagnostic to that variety).
DIE_STATE: Full rim break above TY and rim to the right, as the retained cud has fallen completely out of the die. Also, the crack through the tops of BERT now reaches up from the B to the rim. Lumps are noted in this crack at the top of B and E. One can imagine the strain on the die as these cracks and lumps formed, they would act as a wedge prying apart the die with each successive strike. For as the steady stream of planchets were struck, metal would be squeezed into the lumps and cracks, causing them to weaken, allowing further cuds and rapid deterioration of the die.
PEDIGREE: Ex Del Bland
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-576
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1808#

MINT MK:

GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. 5.18
grams.

294

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GRADE_QUAL: GD

GRADE_NO: 4 ^{2nd} A

DESCRIP: A very late die state of this coin, with two obverse rim breaks above BE and TY. However, the coin is wholly porous and suffers from a deep gouge through Liberty's hair, from the ribbon knot to her neck. Also, there is a shallow scrape below L. It is possible that this coin spent a number of years temporarily misplaced in the ground, then was unearthed with the aid of a shovel, which may have struck the coin, causing the gouge. The reverse is free of contact marks, but is evenly porous, similar to the obverse.

DIE_STATE: As more coins were struck, the lumps over B and E caused the next major step in the obverse dies retirement. The striking action forced yet another cud over BE, similar to the one over TY. Curiously, the area over ERT has also broken and begun to sink, with this soon-to-be-cud section struck <BI>lower<MI> than the surrounding field as the chip began to fall from the die. It apparently required several strikes before the chip completely fell out, and during the process the field where the cud forms is the sharpest struck part of the coin, as this chip in the die is below the fields surrounding.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-577

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: IMMACULATE 1808 COHEN-3 IN MINT STATE

DATE: 1808

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Another. 5.57 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60 55*

62

55.76

DESCRIP: Subdued mint color throughout and very desirable. One hidden mark runs vertically from the back of the drapery up into the curls. A minor spot or two, mostly along the back curls in the field. Nevertheless, this is a stunning coin that boasts blue hints and abundant charm. Certainly in the Condition Census ~~as are all Mint State examples~~, and worthy of a strong bid.

DIE_STATE: Struck after the reverse die had cracked from the leaf to the berry stem above near C2, another crack from the rim to the left serif of the base of II. Die rust in both obverse fields. No trace of the crack to S1 yet.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-579

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 258

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Second 8 much taller than first, IB and TY apart at base; engravers scratch from the right stem nearly to A3. 5.39 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU 83.18
GRADE_NO: 50 40
DESCRIP: Light tan on the obverse, with slightly darker devices; the reverse too is tan, although it has some minor raised spotting on the left stem and between D and ST on the rim, others to a lesser degree. Struck with the reverse die rotated 180<198>. Nearly free of handling marks and a satisfying example of this very early die state.
DIE_STATE: Early die state, with none of the cracks on the reverse and only traces of rust on the obverse. In fact, slight recutting can be seen on the second 8, where the 0 from the fraction was used to create this "tall 8".
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-580
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 259

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Very Fine 30. Another. 4.96 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30
DESCRIP: This is the plate coin from the first edition of Roger's
<MI>American Half Cents</M> and has a wonderful list of prior
owners. Mostly light tan, however, a number of spots are
located on the obverse, with one below the curl that has
formed a pit, as well as minor mottling on the reverse.
Identifiable by a couple of marks below O on the reverse
and by the obverse spots.
76,54
DIE_STATE: The obverse die has the familiar rust in the fields, and the
reverse has cracked from the leaf to the stem of the berry
near C2, also the crack from the rim to the left serif on
the base of I is faint, but visible.
PEDIGREE: From our Wyatt Sale, September 1985, Lot 161, earlier
William R. Weber, Jim McGuigan, Roger Cohen, R.
Tettenhorst, Roger Cohen, Lester Merkin's Sale, March 1969,
Lot 615
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-581
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 260

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1808

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Good 6. Another. 5.34 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: GD

GRADE_NO: 6

DESCRIP: Choice brown color and surfaces, with few handling marks for the grade. In fact, the only detraction is a tiny rim clip behind Liberty's ribbon ends, which can be seen on the reverse too.

DIE_STATE: Later state than the preceeding examples, with the berries weak in areas, and the reverse cracks present. No trace of the crack from the rim to S1 yet.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-582

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:
 TYPE:
 FEATURES: IMPORTANT 1809 COHEN-1, TIED FOR FINEST KNOWN
 DATE: 1809 32
 MINT_MK:
 GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Very Fine 35. Star seven recut on two
 points, curl between 09; point of leaf below end of S2,
 berry below post of T1. 5.43 grams.
 GRADE_QUAL: VF \$3.00
 GRADE_NO: 35 3c
 DESCRIPT: Light tan color and very pleasing for this date and variety.
 Identifiable by a tiny mark below the first star. An
 extremely rare variety, with about 15 coins known in all
 grades, only half of which grade above Very Good. This is
 one of the Finest Known examples to survive, tied with a
 couple of others in a similar state of preservation.
 Richard Picker discovered this variety way back in 1954 and
 in spite of long publication and a large number of
 collectors seeking an example, only a few have turned up. It
 is clear why the reverse die was replaced by the next
 example, and all known show die cracks above MERI. Of the
 major varieties offered in this collection, this one is the
 rarest of the Turban Heads, and by far the most difficult
 to find in high grade. Plated in both editions of Roger's
 books, both obverse and reverse. A coin of this caliber
 will always command attention, and well it should, for it
 is a great rarity which simply has not been found in better
 condition.
 DIE_STATE: On the reverse, the engraver used heavy set up lines to
 place the legend properly, and then failed to efface these
 lines. They are clear between D S, S O and F A in the
 legend. One can imagine the engraver carefully placing the
 letters and tapping the punch into the die. He had a little
 trouble with I2, and examination reveals three lines on the
 right side of the post where the punch shifted minutely
 with each tap of the hammer.
 PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson, earlier the 1970 ANA convention
 PHOTO: E
 COLOR:
 EMPHASIZE: B
 OWNER_NO: 2-583 C. H. C.
 SORT_SEQ:
 ASSIGN_LOT:
 EST_VALUE:
 RESERVE:



DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: TERMINAL DIE STATE OF 1809 COHEN-1
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Very Fine 20. Another. <BI>Major rim
break over MERI. .35 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 25 net vs 82/86
DESCRIP: Dark chocolate brown color on either side and with pleasing
surfaces on the obverse. The reverse has one file mark or
bump from the base of F2, the wreath to the top of the cud
between ER as illustrated. Also, a shallow scratch is noted
below ITC. Well centered and struck on the obverse, the
only weakness is on the lower curls atop Liberty's
shoulder, the reverse is a bit off-center toward the top.
An extraordinary coin, not only is it a great rarity in
this grade, but it is one of the only a few known with the
cud reverse break. Certainly in the Condition Census and
one of the most important coins in this collection.
DIE_STATE: The die break over MERI has given way to a fully rounded
cud. Also, the crack continues over CA to the rim, but it
is not known if this piece later becomes a cud or if the
die was promptly retired after the first major cud
appeared. Likely one of the last struck.
PEDIGREE: From Bowers and Ruddy's Sale, October 1982, Lot 2129
PHOTO: E
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-584
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

slightly bent

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 263

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A SECOND EXAMPLE WITH THE TERMINAL DIE BREAK
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Fair 2. Another. <BI>Terminal die cud
over MERI.<4.97 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: FR *7.7*
GRADE_NO: 2 *1809*
DESCRIP: Dark fields with lighter devices and wholly porous on either side. The rim and fields are battered from long immersion in soil or some other hostile environment to coin collectors. Too much detail is clear to warrant a grade of Basal State 1, but this example is not significantly better than this entry grade level. Nevertheless, the cud over MERI is clear, even fully rounded. If the prior examples would break your budget, then perhaps this is the coin to fill in your variety set with.
DIE_STATE: Heavy cud over MERI, identical to the previous example. They must have been struck only a few coins apart, back on that day in 1809.
PEDIGREE: Ex Norman Brand
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-585
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK: 55
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Star seven has two recut points, curl between 09; point of leaf just past S2. 5.31 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8/
DESCRIP: Medium brown with choice surfaces, and struck a bit off-center on the obverse. Rotated 250<198> on the reverse, as usual for this variety. Pleasant for the grade.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with a light crack through the last four stars only. On the reverse, the crack at the tops of ED has not yet formed.
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-587
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 265

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK: 57
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. 5.48 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4 /
DESCRIPT: Medium brown with darker fields near the devices. A mark
below the 9, another through IBE and other minor ones.
Still average for the grade.
DIE_STATE: Similar die state to the preceding, only the last four
stars on the right show the crack.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-588
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30. Another. 6.36 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 20
82 72-
DESCRIP: Choice brown color on both sides, and well centered. The strike too, is bold for this variety, with the only weakness on the lower curls of Liberty. Identifiable by a scrape along the left side of 0 on the reverse. Also, the reverse die is rotated 170<198>. As Roger noted in both editions of his book, this variety is scarce above Very Fine, and this is the only readily obtainable grade for most collectors.
DIE_STATE: Later die state with another crack at the outer points of stars two through five, as well as the crack from stars eight through thirteen. On the reverse, another crack extends along the tops of ED STATE and a small rim break is noted between D S on the dentils.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-589
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1809

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another. 5.17 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: GD

GRADE_NO: 5 /

DESCRIP: Bent soon after it was struck so that circulation wore away the lower devices of the obverse, making the date and star thirteen weak. A few other handling marks. Still an acceptable filler for this scarce variety. The reverse die is rotated 80<198>.

DIE_STATE: Both obverse cracks in the stars are clear, and cracked through ED STATE on the reverse.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-590

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK: 81, V8
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.28 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 ²⁰
DESCRIP: Cleaned and retoned to a natural brown color, but enough blue remains to hint of its past. One tiny mark in the field before Liberty's neck serves to identify, otherwise very clean for the grade and an excellent example of the late die state.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with the obverse crack through stars two to six, another through stars eight to the 09 in the date, and on the reverse along the tops of ED STATE to the rim over OF. Much of the reverse rim appears to have minor cuds in the dentils, but the centering makes it difficult to determine.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier Walter Breen
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-586
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: ALLURING 1809 COHEN-3 IN MINT STATE
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. Curl of Liberty over center of 0; point of leaf just past S2. 5.47 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS 65
GRADE_NO: 60 844
DESCRIP: An extraordinary coin! Subdued mint red in the fields, with a lovely combination of red and brown on both sides. Free of handling marks and identifiable only by a tiny planchet flake above the eighth star. Well up in Roger's Condition Census, in which only a half dozen are known in Mint State, and doubtless few possess the alluring original color that this example has. One for the connoisseur who appreciates the finest available, and one you won't need to improve.
DIE_STATE: Faint crack through the first three stars and the usual crack through ED STATE on the reverse. Minor rim crumbling above AME appears from the slight off-center strike.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-591
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another. 5.35
grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: Deep brown color with original gloss clinging to the devices. One small rim mark above Liberty identifies this coin as the plate coin for both editions of Roger's book. Minor red color on Liberty's bust. Overshadowed by the previous example, but important in its own right, and worth a strong bid from a knowledgeable collector.
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DIE_STATE: Weak at the rims from die wear, and with the obverse crack through the first three stars, another along ED STATE. Rim crumbling uncertain due to centering.
PEDIGREE: Ex W. K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-592
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1809

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35. Large 0 over small 0; point
of leaf to left edge of 0. 5.42 grams.

62

27.61

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 35 25

DESCRIP: Medium brown and pleasing, although the surfaces have an
average number of circulation marks. Probably cleaned long
ago and now retoned, with a few lighter areas, ~~on either~~ ^{either} side.
A good, affordable coin to represent this scarce
variety.DIE_STATE: Early die state, before both dies were reground. One curious
fact to note is the line from the left edge of Liberty's
neck to the upper ribbon. This was caused by a flaw in the
master hub prepared by John Reich. Perhaps Robert Scot (who
Reich hoped to replace as head engraver) had a hand in this
flaw. Whatever the case, this flaw can be seen on 1809
Cohen-6, 1811 Cohen-1, and others to a lesser extent ~~of~~ ⁱⁿ this period.

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PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-594

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 272

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1809

MINT_MK:

32,75

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35. Another. ~~5.33~~ grams.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 35 25

DESCRIP: Darkly toned with dull surfaces. Well struck and pleasing with no significant handling marks or abrasions. One for the collector who needs this scarce variety in high grade.

DIE_STATE: Early die state before the obverse and reverse were lapped. The hub flaw is clear, as are the curls and leaves.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-598

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 273

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK: 85.03
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. 5.51 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIPT: Brown throughout, although the obverse has some unfortunate scratches and a mark before Liberty's chin. Plated in the first edition of Roger's work on Half Cents.
DIE_STATE: Early die state before the dies were lapped.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-600
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1809

MINT_MK:

81.79

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.30 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 30 30 net 20

DESCRIP: Well struck and details of a higher grade, but a long pin scratch can be seen from above the T in LIBERTY to the rim between stars nine and ten. A spot resides between LI too. The field before Liberty's face and her neck show roughness which may have been in the die.

DIE_STATE: Early die state before they were lapped.

PEDIGREE: from a Coin Galleries Sale, November 1985, Lot 1525

PHOTO:

F

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-595

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: GLOSSY MINT STATE 1809 COHEN-4

DATE: 1809

MINT_MK:

62

86.42

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Mint State 60. Another. 5.60 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Glossy fields that boast original mint' color and frosty luster. Struck after the dies were lapped down, reducing the crispness of the devices. Rarely encountered in Mint State, this example should attract strong bidding from specialists in the series. Plated in the 1982 edition of Roger's <MI>American Half Cents</M> as the "Late State", both obverse and reverse.

DIE_STATE: As a common practice in the mint, after the dies appear to have worn or develop rust marks in the fields, they are often removed and filed down<19>lapped to remove the stray marks. The result is often weak detail on the devices, as seen on the coin here. Liberty's upper curls have been reduced shallow, indistinct lumps above her coronet. On the reverse, several leaves have all but disappeared, and the ribbon at the base of the wreath is now very weak. The dies simply didn't have the detail to produce the usual high quality definition of the early strikes, and these dies were soon retired to the dust bin of history.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-593

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1809

MINT_MK:

8530

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine 40. Another. 5.56 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40

DESCRIP: What a curious coin, there is little wear on the surfaces, but the dies have been so severely lapped that the coin has little detail on the upper devices of the obverse. Some red coloring is noted on Liberty. Free of handling marks from circulation and quite a choice coin to represent the late, lapped die state.

DIE_STATE: Very weak on Liberty's curls from die lapping. This obverse of this coin probably looked like it would grade Very Good from the time it was struck because of this lapping. Sharper on the reverse, with most of the leaves strong except those reduced by the lapping just below the legend.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-599

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1809

MINT MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. <BI>Double struck! 5.30 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: VG 877

GRADE_NO: 10/

DESCRIP: Medium brown color and free of distracting marks. One tiny pit located in a middle curl on Liberty's shoulder and some minor roughness in the reverse letters. Double struck, but only visible on Liberty's face from her chin to her nose and along the lower bust line of the obverse. Similarly, the reverse is double struck, but distinct on the letters H and L. The first strike is only slightly rotated from the second strike. For some reason, most of the initial strike disappeared when it was restruck. Still and all, few are known to exhibit any trace of doubling and certain to please enthusiasts of this series.

DIE_STATE: Late die state with Liberty's curls weak.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-596

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK: 8 1809⁷¹
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. 5.23 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: <MI>Double struck.<M> On this example, the first strike just clipped the coin below the wreath, bending a small amount of the planchet. The second strike was on center, with a small ridge above Liberty's upper curl. Dark brown color, but roughness on either side and some patches of corrosion, especially on the reverse. No detail remains from the first strike.
DIE_STATE: Likely this is the lapped obverse and reverse state.
PEDIGREE: Ex Frank Wilkinson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-597
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: GORGEOUS MINT STATE 1809 COHEN-5

DATE: 1809#

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: 1809, 9 over inverted 9. Cohen-5. Rarity 1. Mint State 63.
09 distant; point of leaf just past S2, small lump under
A3. 5.49 grams.

65

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 63✓

DESCRIP: Superb surfaces and faded glowing mint color greet the eye
when examined. For only in a long while does one find
<MI>any<M> Half Cent retains the original look and color
that this coin has. Even if this 1809 is beyond your means,
take the time to enjoy its radiance during lot viewing. For
but a single bidder will have the pleasure of owning it,
but all will understand its visually stunning appearance.
Most of the blazing red color has mellowed to a light tan,
but enough remains to dazzle the eye. Free of contact marks
or detractions. Well struck too, especially on Liberty. A
superb coin that is well up in the Condition Census.DIE_STATE: The crack through stars four through six is plain, as is the
lump beneath A3.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-601

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 280

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1809, 9 over inverted 9. Cohen-5 Rarity 1. Another. Very
Fine 35. ~~.5.37~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Dark brown color on both sides, and free of distracting
marks or spots. Possibly cleaned long ago, as the devices
have a greenish hue in the surrounding fields.
DIE_STATE: Usual die crack from stars four through six.
PEDIGREE: Ex Jess Patrick
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-603
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1809, 9 over inverted 9. Cohen-5. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine
40. Another. 5.46 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF *EF 40*
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: Cleaned and retoned to a more natural brown color, with
lighter shades near the devices. Well struck on Liberty's
curls, but weak on the radial lines of the stars.
DIE_STATE: The three star crack is clear and a tiny crack above the
back curl on the top of Liberty's head to the rim. This
crack may have been reported as a die file line, but
appears crooked enough for us to discount this explanation.
Not rare as most coin examined have this crack from the
curl to the rim.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-605
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 282

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1809, 9 over inverted 9. Cohen-5. Rarity 1. Very Fine 30.
Another. 5.38 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30
DESCRIP: Wonderful light tan color on either side, but there is some minor verdigris in the devices. A pair of keg marks are located between Liberty's head and the upper right stars.
~~Great~~ for the collector.
DIE_STATE: Usual die state with both obverse cracks: one through stars four to six, the other from Liberty's back curl to rim above her head.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-604
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: FAMOUS LATE DIE STATE OF 1809 COHEN-5
DATE: 1809#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1809, 9 over inverted 9. Cohen-5. Rarity 1. Good 4. Another.
4.72 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD 1/2 BU
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Typical dark brown color on either side. Normal handling marks for the grade, including a few minor scrapes on the right hand stars and a single mark above A4 on the reverse. What is <MI>unusual<M> about this coin is the terminal die state, with two cuds on the obverse. The only coin we know of with either cud, and certainly rare as the obverse die would have been quickly replaced after breaking so badly.
DIE_STATE: Heavy cuds on the obverse, one reaches toward Liberty's bust, the other just touches the 0. Additionally the third star has a lumpy break near the rim, touching its outer point. An extraordinary coin.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: E
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-602
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Plated, thin and thin
with some irregularities.

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. O low, triple dentil above
Liberty's upper curl; point of leaf between S O. 5.55
grams. *62* *55.5*
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60 ~~FS~~ S₂ net SC
DESCRIP: Dark brown color on either side. A dark streak curves
horizontally through her middle curls, other spots and
lumps mostly confined to the wreath. Nice surfaces
otherwise, with few signs of handling or abuse. Nearly
impossible to find with any red mint color. Plated in
Roger's second edition as the "Early Die State", both
obverse and reverse.
DIE_STATE: Rim crumbling has claimed a number of dentils from 1 o'clock
to 3 o'clock on the obverse.
PEDIGREE: Ex Don Frederick
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-606
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK: 8350
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 45. Another. 5.43 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 45 ASW¹³⁵
DESCRIP: Orange red in color, likely from an ancient cleaning, and now retoning. One dark area on the right obverse, along the stars, the reverse has a single pit on N2, as well as some mottling. In addition, a mark has settled above NT. Sharply impressed and very acceptable for the grade.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with the crack along the tops of STATE, but no trace of the rim crumbling (the centering is not conducive to showing the rim).
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-608
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 286

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1809

MINT_MK:

2574

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another. .5.53 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 20 ~~ss net~~ ^{ss}

DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but the obverse and reverse have abundant marks. Nice color with hints of red.

DIE_STATE: One small rim break is visible above Liberty, and the crack through STATE is present.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-607

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 287

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1809

MINT_MK:

81,94

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 1. Very Good 10. Another .~~5.31~~ grams.

GRADE_QUAL: VG

GRADE_NO: 10 %

DESCRIPT: Struck with the usual rotated reverse, this one about
200<198> clockwise. Some minor scrapes and scratches.
Struck after the reverse die had worn quite a bit,
weakening the legend: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

DIE_STATE: Rather than fail by spectacular breakage, this reverse
choose to slowly fade away, with each strike weakening the
legend until it is hard to read, even in high grade.

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-611

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 288

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1809

MINT_MK:

7-36

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 1. Good 5. Another. .5-35 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: GD

GRADE_NO: 5 ^{8nc15}

DESCRIP: Again, details of a higher grade, but roughness and a healthy rim mark above star eight reduce the grade. The reverse too, has its share of rim marks and collateral damage from circulation. Here we find the reverse die rotated 250<198> clockwise from normal.

DIE_STATE: Early die state with the crack faint through STATE.

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-609

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK: 80 23
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 1. Good 6. Another. 5.20 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 6 /
DESCRIP: Typical surfaces for the grade, however, one red spot of corrosion has claimed the lower left wreath below E4. A scrape can be located on the reverse rim above AT, and a pin scratch extends horizontally at the center. Struck while the reverse die had rotated 170<198> clockwise from normal. Many collectors like to assemble sets of these rotated reverse dies, based on the number of degrees from normal. From those offered here, a great variety exist! One wonders if the reverse die continued to rotate, thus unscrewing itself, until it fell from the coining press. How embarrassing that would be.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with only a trace of the crack through STATE, although condition makes this hard to determine.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-610
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1810

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 50. The 0 in date and
B in headband are both repunched; D below E at base. 5.49
grams.

65

3/17/76

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 50 Select A.C.

DESCRIP: Light brown color and very sharp for this early die state.
In fact, the surfaces are clean, with few signs of
handling. A glass reveals some shallow pin scratches
running vertically on Liberty's face and there is a rim
mark at 12 o'clock above. Still and all, glossy and
graceful.

DIE_STATE: Early die state with a faint crack from the upper curl to
star seven. The reverse has a trace of the "crack" along
the tops of ED STATES, but it is so perfectly curved along
those letters that this may have been a set up line for the
die engraver. Later, after many strikings, this may have
caused a weakness in the die which does crack.

PEDIGREE: Ex Jerry Cohen

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-612

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: SCARCE MINT STATE 1810

DATE: 1810

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Mint State 60. Another. 5.45 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

65
84.00

DESCRIP: Medium brown with hints of subdued mint color in the fields near the devices. A glass reveals trivial specks on the obverse, a few more on the reverse, as usual for copper. There is no question that Mint State 1810's are scarce. Roger knew of only seven when he updated his <MI>American Half Cents<M> in 1982. Others report more, often with color or surface problems. So when a nice one like this appears, be prepared to pay a premium for this quality. Well struck on Liberty's curls, but weak on the right stars and AMERICA, as the dies became misaligned, thereafter failing to strike up the right side of the coin. An elegant composition by John Reich, supposedly his mistress represents Liberty.

DIE_STATE: Late die state with the crack through TED STATES, another from the center of Liberty's jaw to her middle curls, and the ever present one through stars six and seven to her upper curl.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Mundt

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-613

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1810

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Good 4. Another. ****This one a bit
off-center.**** 5.57 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: GD

GRADE_NO: 4/

DESCRIP: Struck about 5% off-center toward 3 o'clock and with the
reverse die rotated nearly 270**<198>** clockwise. Some craters
above the third star, a shallow scratch across Liberty and
a scrape over stars five through seven. Also, there are two
pits on the top of Liberty. The reverse cleaner, with a
single rim mark over T3. Furthermore, the reverse is
centered! How this one was made is a bit of a mystery, and
hence Roger's interest in it. On balance, ~~not that bad~~ and
acceptable for the grade. One to study and enjoy without
spending a fortune.

DIE_STATE: Apparently the late die state, with weak legend, but the
condition makes it difficult to ascertain.

PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-614

SORT_SEO:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: ELEGANT 1811 COHEN-1

DATE: 1811

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 4. Extremely Fine 40. 18 wide, double dentil
right of star eight; berry under the center of A2. 5:42
grams.

67

57/1

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40 25

DESCRIP: Choice milk chocolate color throughout. Well struck and centered with about half of the obverse stars showing their radial lines. One tiny scratch from the second star to the rim, another on the back of E3. Both sides show minute evidence of scraping, perhaps to reduce trivial corrosion spots. All this is perhaps overkill, since the surfaces and strike of this very scarce coin are quite average for the grade. Roger believed that approximately 3/4 of the existing coins are this early state. Plated in the first edition (obverse and reverse) of his book, and a very important coin indeed.

DIE_STATE: Early die state before the obverse cracks from the rim through the first four stars. One of the many curiosities of early coinage is the date 1811. For some reason, many of the obverse dies produced from Half Cents through Half Eagles have all four digits leaning distinctly to the left. They appear to be bending in a strong gust of wind. Perhaps the engraver was three sheets to the wind when engraving these dies. Whatever the case, a date set of 1811 coinage has a very distinctive flavor when compared with years prior or after.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-615

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 294

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1811

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 4. Good 4. Another. 5.45 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: GD

GRADE_NO: 4 /

DESCRIP: Slightly double struck on the obverse with doubling on the date and several stars. Evenly porous and with a good quota of pin marks and even a few rim bumps. Early die state.
Nice color in spite of the porosity.

DIE_STATE: Early die state, no trace of the obverse star crack.

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-416

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: RARE TWO STAR BREAK 1811

DATE: 1811

MINT_MK:

4

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 4. Good 5. Another. Two Star obverse
break. 5.01 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: GD

GRADE_NO: 5 12nc14

DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade but both sides have been entirely stripped and burnished, likely to reduce corrosion. Now toned a pleasant tan to brown, but all devices are mushy from the processing. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book, obverse only. As this obverse continued to strike more and more coins, a crack formed along the first four obverse stars. Another crack developed from the rim to the second star. Suddenly, <MI>Bang!<MH> a chip broke off the die creating this two star cud. It wasn't long before another chip broke away, creating the familiar and ever-popular four star cud. Only a few have been found with the two star cud, it was first discovered by Roger in 1953, and even with extensive publication no high grade ones have been found. Like the 1804 Cohen-6, this variety is frequently collected by these spectacular die states, with the two star break being one of the most difficult to locate.

DIE_STATE: The obverse cud has formed from the rim before Liberty's bust, covering three points of star one and two points of star two.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ricky Gross

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-617

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: SPECTACULAR FOUR STAR BREAK 1811

DATE: 1811

MINT_MK:

40

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 4. Extremely Fine 45. Another. With the
Four Star Break. 5.38 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 45

DESCRIP: A beautiful coin, not only because of the full strike, but
enchanting dark chocolate color provides a tantalizing
background for this most spectacular die break. Duly noted
as "quite rare" in the Gilbert reference book <MI>The
United States Half Cents<M> back in 1916, this variety has
been immortalized since its appearance there on plate IV.
The only comparable obverse die failures are 1796 Cohen-1
(the No Pole) and 1797 Cohen-1, both of which exhibit die
cracks, not mountainous cuds as seen here. Other cuds exist
on obverse dies, but few can compare with the notoriety or
just plain Texas size of this extensive break. What's more,
Roger believed about a quarter of the mintage of 1811
Cohen-1 has this cud, making it obtainable in various grades
by all serious collectors of Half Cents. Plated in Roger's
second edition, this particular example has few identifying
marks; one tiny scratch connects the base of the L to the
top of the I on the obverse, while the reverse has a small
planchet flake below the left foot of A3. Always popular
with collectors and certain to bring a strong price, which
it wholeheartedly deserves.

DIE_STATE: In addition to the towering cud from the rim to the outer
three points of stars one through three, and two points of
star four, a crack extends along the outer points of star
four through seven. Another crack is faint through the
outer points of stars ten through thirteen. Perhaps if the
mint had continued to strike coins, there may have been an
eleven star cud.

PEDIGREE: Ex K. P. Austin

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-618

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: CHOICE 1811 COHEN-2 HALF CENT

DATE: 1811

MINT_MK:

60

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine 40. 18 close; berry under center of A2. 5.46 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40 30

DESCRIP: Dark brown color and decently struck for the variety, which is noted for its weakness after the dies clashed. Scattered marks, none of consequence, and within reach of the low end of the Condition Census for the variety. Weak at the tops of TED STA and opposing obverse stars. A coin for the specialist and worthy of the finest collection.

DIE_STATE: Struck after the dies had clashed, with some of the wreath visible around Liberty's lower curls. No trace of the reverse cracks, as described on the later coins.

Coinage of Half Cents stopped after 1811, as the mint had finally run out of Boulton & Watt Half Cent planchets. Few 1811's were saved in high grade, and most circulated to low grades and are frequently plagued with corrosion and other problems.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-620

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DEMON:

TYPE:

FEATURES: A SECOND CHOICE 1811 COHEN-2

DATE: 1811

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.44 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 30

DESCRIP: Here is another lovely 1811 Half Cent. The fields show traces of faded mint color and the balance of the coin is a nice light tan. A tiny nick on Liberty's chin (and who doesn't have one of these?) identifies this as the plate coin for the second edition of <MI>American Half Cents.<M> A pair of shallow scratches extend across the lower obverse. Always popular for its low mintage and one of the most difficult dates to find without major problems. An important acquisition for the aficionado of these historic pieces.

DIE_STATE: Later die state, with multiple clash marks surrounding Liberty's lower curls, and the beginnings of the crack from the rim to the tip of F, which also extends a few microns to the left of the left serif.

PEDIGREE: Ex William R. Weber, earlier Stack's Sale, October 1976, Lot 22

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-619

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1811

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. 5.38 grams.

7.03

GRADE_QUAL: VG

GRADE_NO: 10 Acne\ \v

DESCRIP: Dark and porous on both sides, likely from long exposure to moisture. However, the details are of a much higher grade, as shown. One wiggly scrape from the fourth star up towards Liberty's eye and from there up nearly to the seventh star identifies this as the plate coin used in Roger's first edition. Another tiny fleck is located above F on the reverse and these are about the only signs of contact on this coin.

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DIE_STATE: An important late die state on the reverse. The crack extends both left (slightly) and right to the rim from the top of F. Another crack connects the tops of MER and hints exist between AH that it continues there. This is the latest state reported, and likely struck from the bottom of the barrel of Half Cent planchets, which would not be restocked until 1825 when a large order for Half Cents instigated their return.

PEDIGREE: Purchased at the 1971 ANA show

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-622

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 300

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1811

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. Double Struck.

5.21 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: GD

GRADE_NO: 4

DESCRIP: Nice brown color and typical surfaces for the grade.

Initially struck way off-center at 11 o'clock on the obverse, with only a row of dentils and dent remaining. On the reverse, the evidence is less clear as the planchet was bent by the first striking and was realigned during the second on-center strike. A few minor digs on the reverse, mostly near the off-center strike. Seldom encountered in any grade, double struck Half Cents, especially an 1811, are a great rarity.

DIE_STATE: Apparently an early die state, but wear may have obliterated the clash marks.

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-621

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1825

60

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Fine 25. Center of Liberty's curl above center of 5; OF distant.

GRADE_DUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 25 /

DESCRIP: Light brown with some reddish hints in the obverse fields. The obverse has a few small spots, the worst hiding very close to Liberty's lips. On the reverse, some areas of dark verdigris are noticeable, one on and below the ribbon, others in the lettering and devices. Plated in the first edition, both obverse and reverse, of Roger's Half Cent book. Well balanced for the grade and a decidedly scarce Rarity 3 variety, even in this grade.

DIE_STATE: Early die state before the obverse die cracked vertically through the uppermost curl of Liberty down to her shoulder curl. A trace of obverse die rust between and below the RT on the obverse. Examination reveals a curious lump on the edge, resulting from a weak or broken seam in the collar. This lump is located on the edge near star twelve, and is present on most of the coins from this variety (it is not often one has ten examples of this variety spread out at a given moment for study, thereby confirming the collar break). This collar break is very similar to those seen on about half of the 1832 JR-3 Dimes.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-624

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 302

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: VIVID 1825 COHEN-1 HALF CENT

DATE: 1825

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. About Uncirculated 55. Another. Was "65"

GRADE_DUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 55 /

DESCRIP: A radiant coin that has nearly full mint color and frosty luster throughout. At first glance, most would call this coin Mint State, but a glass reveals cabinet friction on the upper elevations of the design. We are lucky that this is a fairly early strike, as several stars show repunching. These include the first, second, sixth and eighth stars. There is no question that this coin is in the Condition Census for this scarce variety, only a half dozen are listed in Mint State, with another half dozen in About Uncirculated. A rare and beautiful offering for the discriminating collector.

DIE_STATE: Struck with the reverse die rotated about 50° clockwise. The collar break is again sharp, on this coin it is located between stars twelve and thirteen. As far as the vertical obverse break, it is faint, but extends from the rim to the shoulder curl of Liberty.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-623

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 303

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1825

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 20

DESCRIP: Dark brown and mottled, perhaps from an ancient cleaning and retoning. The surfaces are too rough for the detail, hence we've knocked the grade down a bit. Weakly struck on most of the left hand stars. Glossy.

DIE_STATE: Rust located around RT, the obverse crack a bit stronger now. The collar break is located on the edge near star twelve.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-625

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 304

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1825
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another.
GRADE_DUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Light brown color, with some darker areas sprinkled in. Nice
for the grade overall.
DIE_STATE: The collar edge break is visible near star twelve. Rusted in
RT, the vertical crack missing due to wear.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-626
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 305

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: A COLLECTION OF 1825 COHEN-1'S WITH ROTATED REVERSES

DATE: 1825

MINT_NK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 6. Another.

GRADE_DUAL: GD

GRADE_NO: 6

DESCRIP: Cleaned and retoned with a few orange areas on the reverse.

A bit battered from circulation. Struck with the reverse
die rotated about 100<198>.

DIE_STATE: The collar edge break is faint, but located near star
twelve. Also, the obverse crack is present as well as the
rust at RT.

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-627

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 306

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1825

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Fine 15. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: F

GRADE_NO: 15 2c nd 1825

DESCRIP: Nice brown color, all original and details of a higher grade. However, some porosity is located below Liberty's bust and on the reverse. In addition, a red spot resides on Liberty's jaw, and a cut is located in the left obverse field. Some verdigris, mostly on the reverse. On this coin, the reverse is rotated about 120<198> clockwise.

DIE_STATE: The collar break on the edge at star twelve is just starting. Rust at RT and the obverse crack beginning. *to mint condition*

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-629

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 307

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1825
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark steel blue atop the usual brown. A few handling marks,
but nothing harsh or annoying. The reverse die had rotated
about 120° when this one slid down the coining chute.
No trace of the edge collar break.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-628
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1825

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another. ✓ *20-1825*

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 20 *20-1825*

DESCRIP: Delightful color and only a few marks from being choice. The marks are located in the left obverse field and on Liberty's face. Minor verdigris on the reverse, none damaging. As the mint continued striking coins, the reverse die continued to rotate. On this example, the reverse had rotated 180<198> from normal.

DIE_STATE: Late die state. The obverse crack is bold under a glass, rust at RT and the edge collar break is light.

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-630

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

Excellent

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 309

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1825

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: GD

GRADE_NO: 5

DESCRIP: Wholly porous with black fields and brown devices. Not one
for the beauty contest, by still interesting to study. The
reverse is rotated 180<198>. No trace of the collar break
on the edge, perhaps due to wear and porosity.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-631

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 310

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1825
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another.
GRADE_DUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Light tan color with some mottling and porosity. Acceptable
for the grade. No trace of the edge collar break or obverse
crack due to wear.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-632
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1825

MINT_MK:

67

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. Center of
Liberty's curl over left edge of 5; OF distant.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 55 *60 & 50*

DESCRIP: Another beautiful coin that boasts milk chocolate color on
the obverse, and abundant faded mint shades on the reverse.
Both sides are lustrous and very choice. Two small specks
on the reverse below ME and another in the obverse field
near stars two and three. However, there are three file
marks on the obverse dentils, one at the top, another near
the bust tip and lastly by the thirteenth star. Still a
beautiful coin even with its distractions.

DIE_STATE: The collar break is sharp along the edge near star thirteen,
similar to those examples of Cohen-1 of this year.

PEDIGREE: Ex Joe Flynn, earlier Philip Showers

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-633

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 312

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1825

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. Very Fine 35. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 35 25

DESCRIP: Choice color and obverse surfaces, the reverse has a red spot on T3 and a planchet lamination (crack only) between S and O. The obverse has a shallow gouge below the 8. Again, a pretty coin that should please most collectors.

DIE_STATE: The edge has a strong collar break between stars ten and eleven and the reverse die is rotated about 10<198> clockwise.

PEDIGREE: Ex Benjamin M. Douglas

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-634

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1826

MINT_MK:

P, 60

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. About Uncirculated 55. Die file lines
right of 6; leaf tip well past S2.

Was 65

GRADE_DUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 55 *6c^t*

DESCRIP: Choice mint color and luster throughout with superb
surfaces. One shadowy area above Liberty's head, another on
the reverse near OF. The only contact marks are minute,
mostly in the field or on Liberty's face. Wonderful
cartwheel and certain to please for the grade.

DIE_STATE: Later obverse die state with a crack from the first star to
bust, another branching near the rim connecting stars two
and three. No trace of the edge collar break.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier W. K. Raymond and Jon Hanson

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-635

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 314

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1826

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40 ✓

DESCRIP: Light brown on the obverse with some verdigris, the reverse
with varying hues from dark brown to tan. Some of the
reverse spots are heavy, including one on the stem end and
on ME.
SA 10

DIE_STATE: The obverse cracks on stars-one through three are present.

PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-636

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 315

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1826
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 25. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25 ^{?c}
DESCRIP: Steel gray color from minor porosity on either side. A couple of shallow scrapes on the central reverse and some small red spots are visible. The reverse die was rotated about 300<198> clockwise when this coin was struck.
DIE_STATE: The obverse cracks through the first three stars are faint.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-638
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 316

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1826

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another. Struck

off-center.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 20 /

DESCRIP: Struck about 10% off-center, as illustrated, and quite dramatic we might add. The surfaces are choice, with dark brown color on both sides. Early mint errors such as this are always in demand, we haven't seen such a vast selection since our Ruby sale in 1974.

DIE_STATE: Usual die state with cracks through the first three stars, previously described.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-637

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 256

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1826

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. About Uncirculated 55. #6 over horizontal
6, star thirteen recut; leaf under S2.

55

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 55 S. 1826

DESCRIP: A beautiful prooflike coin that has warm light brown toning
with an arc of brown along the right obverse, while the
reverse is an even milk chocolate brown. Several large
spots on the obverse, one above Liberty on the left,
another from the date to the thirteenth star and another
below the bust tip. On the reverse a single spot is located
between RI. Two of the obverse spots have minute scratches
where a pin was used to scrape off portions of the spots.
Still, a rare coin in this grade and thought to be well up
in the Condition Census for the variety, with only 3 Mint
State examples listed and 4 in About Uncirculated.

DIE_STATE: The dies were clearly polished before this coin was struck,
although the spikes on the wreath are still sharp. Struck
before the dies clashed, but after they were reground
to reduce the horizontal 6 to a small tail on the lower
right and a lump below the ball.

PEDIGREE: Ex Dr. Kenneth J. Sartoris, Del N. Bland, W.K. Raymond and
Ray D. Mundt

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-698

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 317

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1826

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. About Uncirculated 50. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: AU ✓

GRADE_NO: 50 ✓

DESCRIP: Light tan in the fields with some darker areas on the obverse, all tan on the reverse. A few microscopic scratches on the reverse between D S and in the center around HALF are the only surface detractions.

DIE_STATE: This obverse die has a strange feature, apparently the engraver first placed the 6 sideways in the die, then corrected the error, placing the 6 upright. Jack Beymer first reported this bumble in 1981. In addition, the reverse die has the distinction of having a thorny wreath, as several sharp projections extend outward from the leaves and stems. These projections were probably caused by filing of die to remove burrs or clash marks.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-639

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 318

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1826

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 20 /

DESCRIP: Choice surfaces and brown color, one small rim mark near the date and corresponding part of the reverse. A scarce variety in obtainable condition. The reverse die is rotated 180<198>.

DIE_STATE: Early die state before the star break formed.

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-640

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 319

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1826

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 20

DESCRIP: Struck with the reverse die rotated 180<198> from normal.

Dark brown with some minor verdigris. The reverse has a myriad of shallow pin marks, which require a strong glass to see. Plated in the first edition of Roger's book, both obverse and reverse.

DIE_STATE: The dies appear to have ground down a bit, but the erroneous 6 and thorns are still visible.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-642

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: RARE 1826 COHEN-2 WITH THE TWO STAR OBVERSE CUD

DATE: 1826

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Fine 15. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: F

GRADE_NO: 15 2C_{OBV} 16

DESCRIP: Lovely light brown color on either side. However, there are some shallow scratches and a number of gouges on and below Liberty, as illustrated. What is wonderful about this coin is the obverse cud break. For the die has now failed, a large chip has fallen away encompassing the fourth and fifth stars. An impressive coin in spite of its minor problems. Only five or so are known, this coin rated as the second best with the break. Clearly, the mint didn't make many once this die broke. Very rare and desirable.

DIE_STATE: The popular authors of Half Cents only refer to the cud break, apparently none are known with a crack where the cud forms. Perhaps some dolt dropped the obverse die after attempting yet another regrinding, or more likely, the obverse just gave way, breaking apart under the repeated striking pressures.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-641

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1828

MINT_MK:

65

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 45. Date evenly spaced;
upper leaf below S.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 45 ~~EF~~ 65

DESCRIP: One key mark on Liberty's neck, another in the field near
the second star. The color is a medium to dark brown with a
single spot below Liberty's chin, smaller ones on the
reverse. A choice coin for the grade.

DIE_STATE: Light clash marks on the reverse, but no trace of the line
connecting A4 to E4.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-643

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 322

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1828

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 45. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 45 AC

DESCRIP: Gently cleaned and retoned to a speckled gold, with one dark toning area below T4 and beneath the ribbon. Only a few contact marks, and well struck. Plated obverse and reverse in both editions of Roger's <I>American Half Cents.</I>

DIE_STATE: Late die state with multiple clash marks on the reverse, clearest between H and C2. In addition, the engraver's line extends from the upright of E4 and ends just short of the left foot of A4.

PEDIGREE: From Stack's store stock

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-644

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: EARLY DIE STATE OF THE TWELVE STAR

DATE: 1828

MINT_MK:

65

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 50. Twelve stars;
outer berry below left stand of M.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 50

DESCRIP: Choice color and surfaces which boast much of their original luster. Always popular for the twelve star obverse, an engraving error which apparently went unnoticed at the mint. Most examples have poorly struck stars on the left side, but this coin has part of the radial lines visible on all stars. As usual, minor weakness below T2 in the wreath, and also below CA.

DIE_STATE: This appears to be an early die state. A glass is required to study the minute detail enumerated herein: one tiny lump beneath star thirteen, just right of the right edge of Liberty's lowest curl, another midfield between star twelve and her ribbon end. More importantly, a die file mark extends vertically through the upper left serif of I, out its middle on the right, fades out, then continues through the lower left serif of T1, fades out again, reappears under the outer leaf under E1. Another die file mark, at the same angle (nearly vertical) from the bottom left serif of A1, through its center, forming a lump just above the crossbar on the right, fading in and out along the upper left serif of T3 to the rim. Several letters on the reverse show strong doubling.

When dies are prepared using master hubs or other engraving tools, a number of rough areas and burrs need to be removed from the surfaces before coins can be struck. These protuberances are filed down, then the die is polished, making the fields smooth. However, on many dies file marks remain, appearing as raised lines similar to die breaks, but fade as more and more coins are struck, coupled with repolishing to remove clash marks.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-645

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1828

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 50. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 50

DESCRIP: Both sides possess ample mint fresh luster which is subdued only by medium milk chocolate toning. One minor toning streak extends from Liberty's ribbon end to the twelfth (final) star. On the reverse a tiny planchet flake is noted in the field from the upper left serif of F2. Additionally, minor spotting is located through RICA and below the wreath. At the base of the coin below the wreath, some of the spotting has been removed by gently buffing. Still and all, a beautiful coin even with its isolated problems.

DIE_STATE: Later die state than the preceding with the file marks gone except for the lump on the right side of A1. New file marks can be seen, also extending vertically, through UNITE and the wreath.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-646

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 325

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1828

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40 ~~SS~~ 35

DESCRIP: Choice light tan color although a small spot resides on the back of Liberty's upper jaw, another below 28, and a large red toning area above HA, others of less importance.

Nevertheless, a beautiful example of this popular variety.

DIE_STATE: Identical die state to the preceding, file marks through UNITE and no trace of the line through I, and most of the doubling on the reverse letters has been polished off.

PEDIGREE: Ex W. K. Raymond

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-647

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 326

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1828

MINT_MK:

67

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. 82 distant,
highest leaf just beyond S2.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 55 ✓

DESCRIP: A beautiful specimen, the color is red to light brown and
the devices are sharply impressed. One planchet flaw
resides above Liberty's upper curls, only affecting the
denticles. Only the upper devices show any wear, and they
have toned down from the surrounding light tan.

DIE_STATE: Early die state with double clash marks outlining Liberty
within the wreath.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-649

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1828

MINT_MK:

67

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. Another.

Waco 65

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60 ✓

DESCRIP: Mint fresh luster on both sides, without the usual heavy toning spots. Most of the Mint State coins of this variety are likely from a hoard dispersed by Washington D.C. dealer Benjamin H. Douglas, who supposedly purchased them from "an old Black woman during the 1890's". It is thought that this hoard contained over 1,000 pieces, mostly spotted mint red coins. One tiny spot near the second 8 identifies this as the plate coin from Roger's first edition.

DIE_STATE: Later die state with at least three sets of clash marks within the wreath on the reverse. The engravers line from the leaf above H is shorter than the preceding example.

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-648

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: SUPERB 1829 HALF CENT

DATE: 1829

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 63. Stars one and two close, 65
six and seven distant; high leaf tip just beyond S2.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 63 /

DESCRIP: Wonderful fiery mint freshness on both sides, hints of original red and abundant luster abound. Boldly impressed and with only faint specks on both sides. A stunning coin that is very difficult to locate with so much mint color and such vibrant surfaces.

DIE_STATE: The long spike defect from C2 to H is visible only near the letters, and has faded considerably from others reported.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier W. K. Raymond via a Schulman sale, March 1968, Lot 357

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-650

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

65

Was 65

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 329

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1829

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 50 ✓

DESCRIP: Light tan with silky luster throughout. Tinges of original red near the devices. However, a number of spots exist: on the obverse rim adjacent to Liberty's bust, and the reverse between AL and above E3. On balance, a pretty coin for the grade.

DIE_STATE: Most of the line between C2 and H is gone.

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-651

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 330

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1829

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 20 ✓

DESCRIP: Medium brown and choice, save for two spots on the reverse,
one below TE, another below L.

DIE_STATE: Usual die state, only part of the line from C2 to H
visible.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-652

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 331

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1829

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 20

DESCRIP: This is the plate coin from Roger's first and second edition
of <MI>American Half Cents</MI>. Both the obverse and reverse
have been plated to simulate fiery mint red, however, the
obverse is mottled, mostly on Liberty, with brown color.
Free of distracting marks.

DIE_STATE: Similiar die state to the proceeding.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-653

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: EXCEPTIONAL 1831 ORIGINAL HALF CENT

DATE: 1831

MINT_MK:

40

GRADE_TEXT: Original. Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Extremely Fine 40. Small digits
in date, large stars; leaf tip below right side of S2.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40 BC

DESCRIP: Medium brown toning and well struck. This coin circulated
long enough to eliminate any hint of mint luster and
obtained only trivial circulation marks, mostly hidden on
the devices. Identifiable by a mark between the sixth star
and Liberty's forehead, another on the reverse below T1.
Although 2,200 are reported as being struck in Mint
records, this seems unlikely as only about 15 are known of
this business strike die pairing in addition to several
Proofs. Always in demand and a long known as one of the
great rarities in the Half Cent series.

DIE_STATE: So few were struck that the dies had no time to break. One
of the curious features of this reverse die is the extra
base of E below the wreath under E2. This oddity was
discovered by Jules Reiver in 1976 using an 1832 Cohen-1
(which used the same reverse die as this 1831). Only the
lower serif is clear, the balance of the letter is hidden
by the wreath above.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier C. A. Allenburger

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-654

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: A SECOND ORIGINAL 1831

DATE: 1831

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Fine 12. Another. *? L. C. G. V.*

GRADE_QUAL: F

GRADE_NO: 12 *20 net* 10

DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade and with choice color. However, the reverse has been severely scraped and scratched through STATES, the wreath, HALF, ICA and below the ribbon. These scrapes damage several letters and the surrounding fields. Clearly a coin that should be viewed by prospective bidders as the obverse is free of these distractions. Rare and important nonetheless.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex John Cogan, W. K. Raymond

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-655

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: RESPECTABLE 1832 COHEN-1

DATE: 1832

MINT_MK:

62

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Mint State 60. Stars six and seven
distant; leaf tip below right side of S2.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60 ^{ms}

DESCRIP: Even light tan color on both sides, with ample mint luster.

Three tiny rim marks, one by each of the three upper stars
are about the only signs of contact. Minor mottling in the
reverse color, more even on the obverse. A very choice coin
and an excellent example of this scarce variety, with the
famous "Accessory E" reverse die.

DIE_STATE: Struck from the same reverse die as the 1831 Cohen-1
originals, the engraver accidentally punched the bottom serif
of E just below the wreath under E2. A glass reveals
another serif, probably the same E, in the middle of the
field above A4. The reverse die has a shallow crack from
the rim to A1 at top.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-656

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 335

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1832

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 30. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 30 2c

DESCRIP: Plated obverse and reverse in the first edition of Roger's book, this moderate grade coin should provide an excellent momento for a true collector who knew Roger. Steel gray and brown color.

DIE_STATE: Light crack from the rim to A1 at top.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-660

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1832

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 55. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 55 5L

DESCRIP: Choice tan surfaces on both the obverse and reverse, with most of the luster present. Free of contact marks on the obverse, two on the reverse rim above UN. The obverse has some mottling in the color with red spots in the left field and above the cap. Also, the reverse has a very shallow spot above N2, T2 and between S O. Another beautiful example of this popular variety, and certain to attract the attention it deserves.

DIE_STATE: The reverse die has now cracked from the rim to A1, out the right side of A1 through the wreath into the field above A4.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-657

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1832

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 55. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 55

DESCRIP: Medium tan and superb for the grade. Hints of blue toning near the devices, mostly on the reverse. A bit dull on Liberty's chin to warrant a higher grade. Free of marks on the obverse, one tiny tap below U and a lint mark extends both sides at the top of O. Another magnificent example of this scarce variety.

DIE_STATE: The crack extends from the rim through the right leg of A1 to the wreath.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-658

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 338

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1832

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 45. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 45 

DESCRIP: Deep red to brown on both sides with only minute contact marks visible. Well struck and pleasing.

DIE_STATE: The reverse crack extends from the rim through the right side of A1 to the wreath.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ricky Gross

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-659

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1832

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. Star six and seven
distant; upper leaf tip below E2.

P, 65

Wear 65

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 55 *Lc*

DESCRIP: Light tan with ample mint red remaining to dazzle the eye.

One tiny mark on Liberty's chin identifies this coin, and
spot between HA traces this reverse. This variety is tough
to find with any mint red, so be prepared with a strong bid
if you want to capture this prize.

DIE_STATE: One faint crack from the rim to the lower left serif of E2,
not extending to the wreath yet. The following letters show
recutting on the reverse: N1, E2 and A2.

PEDIGREE: From Lester Merkin's Sale, February 1971, Lot 506

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-661

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1832

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40 

DESCRIP: Dark brown color with a raised spot on Liberty's cheek,
another dark spot on her jaw. On the reverse, two small
marks reside in the field below F2.

DIE_STATE: Later die state, the crack from the rim to E2 at the lower
serif now extends down to the wreath below.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-662

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: SPARKLING 1832 COHEN-3

DATE: 1832

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Mint State 63. Stars six and seven
distant; D, S2 and A2 repunched.

63

Was 65

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 63 ✓

DESCRIPT: Glossy brown with sparkling luster on both sides. Only a
hint of original mint color, but toned just enough to note
the passage of time. Free of contact marks and only a small
toning below the stem on the rim. Struck from rusted dies.

DIE_STATE: The engraver had trouble locating some letters on the
reverse legend, sharply double cutting the D, S2 and A2.
Most seen have the rust on the reverse die from the base
below the ribbon up to H.

PEDIGREE: Ex Joe Flynn, earlier Philip Showers

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-663

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1832

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60 ✓

DESCRIPT: Medium brown with a couple of small raised spots, one on the outer point of star four, the 2 and on the reverse by T2, M and N2. A shallow planchet lamination is located within the wreath above HA. Choice surfaces otherwise and worth a strong bid.

DIE_STATE: Struck from a rusted reverse die.

PEDIGREE: Ex Philip Showers

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-664

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: LOVELY 1833 IN MINT STATE

DATE: 1833

MINT_MK:

65

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 63. '83 close, stars two and
three distant; upper leaf below left serif of \$2.

Was 65

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 63 /

DESCRIP: Subdued mint red on both sides combines with light tan color
to produce a magnificent example of this hoard coin.
Identifiable by a minute mark between star six and
Liberty's forehead and on the reverse by a minor planchet
flaw between 17. Plated in the second edition of Roger's
book <MI>American Half Cents.<M> The Guttag Brothers
dispersed a Mint State hoard during the 1930's at the sale
price of a quarter each. Any takers today?

DIE_STATE: Light obverse die crack from stars two through seven. Struck
from clashed dies on both sides.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-666

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1833

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 55 ✓

DESCRIP: Probably cleaned and retoned with deep blue and brown color on both sides. One spot above the back of Liberty's head, and the entire reverse has scattered verdigris. Well struck and pleasing.

DIE_STATE: The obverse crack is nearly invisible between stars two and four, more visible above. Strangely, the crack is very heavy between stars five and six. Single (but strong) clash marks on the reverse, none on the obverse.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-665

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: RARE LATE DIE STATE OF 1833

DATE: 1833

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 50 *Wreath Die State 1833 -*

DESCRIP: Dark brown and glossy. The outline of the entire wreath is visible in the fields surrounding Liberty, and likewise, the outline of Liberty is strongly clashed around the wreath. A rare die state of 1833 and worthy of a top-notch collection. Identifiable by a small lamination above E3 on the reverse and some spots near star seven on the obverse.

DIE_STATE: Heavy clash marks on both sides.

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

Wreath

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-667

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: RARE 1834 BRILLIANT PROOF

DATE: 1834

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Eckfeldt Original-9. Rarity 6 as a Proof. Brilliant Proof 60
(Original). Plain 4, 8 a touch high; upper tip of leaf
below edge of S2. 5.45 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Beautiful olive brown with a hint or two of faded mint color
near the devices of the obverse and reverse. Identifiable
by a tiny spot on the upper left of 4, another right of T2
on the reverse. Lightly hairlined from a gentle wiping, but
these are not distracting and can only be seen under strong
lighting. A well made Proof, as the mint was very careful
about producing the few coins needed for dignitaries. In
fact, this 1834 Half Cent has some very famous cousins: the
King of Siam set. Best of all, this 1834 will only sell for
a fraction of what that set brought.

DIE_STATE: Early die state with no cracks or clash marks.

PEDIGREE: From our Moreira Sale Part 3, January 1989, Lot 3068

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-699

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1834

MINT_MK:

67

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Faded mint red and quite beautiful. For rarely is this date found with such extensive mint color, most survivors fully brown. Free of nearly all signs of contact save for a minor mark below T4. Minor flyspecks on the obverse.

DIE_STATE: No clash marks.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-668

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: SPECTACULAR 1835 WITH NEARLY FULL BLAZING RED

DATE: 1835

67

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 63. Small digits in date,
evenly spaced; ST distant.

GRADE_DUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 63 ✓

DESCRIP: Nearly full blazing red on the obverse, red and brown on the
reverse. Well struck and a beautiful coin that is nearly
free of marks. Perfect for the date or variety collector
who desires one of these common hoard coins.

DIE_STATE: Struck from clashed dies with Liberty's outline on the
inside of the wreath and hints of the wreath around
Liberty's face.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier W. K. Raymond

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-669

SORT_SEQ:

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RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 349

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1835

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60 ✓

DESCRIP: Original mint red faded to a light brown throughout. A dark spot resides beneath Liberty's bust, another near her neck. Although a large hoard passed through the hands of Elmer Sears during 1935, coins of this quality are still scarce.

DIE_STATE: Struck from clashed dies, both obverse and reverse.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-670

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

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DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1835

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 50 AC

DESCRIP: Plated in both editions of Roger's book, obverse and reverse. Deep brown color on both sides, with clean surfaces. One tiny neck nick, and a rim mark on the reverse between RI serves as identification. Only a hint of wear.

DIE_STATE: Struck from clashed dies, with multiple marks on both sides.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-671

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1835

MINT_MK:

P, 65

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Small digits in date,
evenly spaced; ST close at top.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Creamy luster in the fields with a beautiful blue tone about
the devices. In fact, a few stars have faded mint red
glowing around them. One spot between stars twelve and
thirteen and a small planchet flaw from the fifth star to
curl. On the reverse, one small spot is located below H.
These minor flaws identify this as the plate coin from
Roger's second edition, and a delightful coin it is.

DIE_STATE: Only one crack on the reverse through the tops of MERICA to
the field below the left ribbon end. No clash marks.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Mund

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-672

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1835

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40 ✓

DESCRIP: Choice brown color and pleasing surfaces. A glass reveals trivial handling marks, none readily apparent to the unaided eye.

DIE_STATE: Middle die state, the arcing reverse crack has appeared from the rim right of D, the wreath, HA, wreath and right side of O. The first crack through MERICA to below the right ribbon end is present and clash marks are faint, but visible.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ricky Gross

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-674

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1835

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40 Beav' 2c

DESCRIP: This is the plate coin from Roger's first edition. It is also a very late reverse die state. The obverse is a mottled brown with lighter areas surrounding the bust, which may imply cleaning. A tiny mark on Liberty's neck and a small rim mark between OF serve to identify.

DIE_STATE: The arcing crack from near D to O is heavy now, the crack through the tops of MERICA to the left ribbon end has not changed: still light. A new crack from the rim through R to the wreath has appeared. Heavy clash marks, both sides.

PEDIGREE: From our Wyatt Sale, September 1985, Lot 199

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-673

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1837

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Half Cent Token. Low-49. Very Fine 20.

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GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 20

DESCRIP: Medium brown and probably cleaned long ago. One spot above the 3, others on the reverse on and above the F of OF. Actually a token struck during the panic of 1837, when most coinage disappeared from circulation as the United States economy sunk into a terrible business depression. As is often the case, ingenious Americans will take matters into their own hands when government fails to fulfill its mandated obligations. Regular coinage was eagerly hoarded by consumers, and businessmen resorted to all sorts of tokens in order to make change. Otherwise, business would have been reduced to barter. Included in the <MI>Guidebook</MI> and always popular as the only available Half Cent token (most tokens were Large Cent size and weight).

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-715

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

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FEATURES: RARE "ORIGINAL" 1836 PROOF HALF CENT

DATE: 1836

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Brilliant Proof 60. "Original". Eckfeldt Original-12. Rarity

6. First star close to bust; large berries. 5.58 grams.

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GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 60 ✓

DESCRIP: Dark brown toning in the obverse fields combines with the frosty Liberty to produce an excellent cameo contrast. The reverse is also toned, but the wreath and parts of the fields retain a fiery red color. Identifiable by a staple scratch from Liberty's mouth extending up the curl behind her eye, the back down to her jaw. On the reverse, a small planchet flake resides above the left upper serif of T2. Normal hairlines for the grade, but with ample eye appeal to bring a premium. Roger Cohen catagorized Proof Half Cents by die variety and by the chief coiner of the mint under whose stewardship they were struck. These new varieties are detailed in the second edition of <M!>American Half Cents<M> which was printed in 1982. For this 1836, about 30 are known today of this initial production (originals).

DIE_STATE: Chief coiner Adam Eckfeldt continued the tradition of striking Brilliant Proof examples of coinage for dignitaries and other parties who expressed interest. Only a handful were produced, some years more than others, as demand dictated. Later, as interest grew in obtaining these early Brilliant Proofs, certain mint employees rounded up dies and struck off a few more, creating "restrikes".

PEDIGREE: From Coin Galleries Mail Bid Sale, November 1985, Lot 1561

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-700

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: LOVELY 1840 PROOF "ORIGINAL"

DATE: 1840

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "Original" Peale Original-1. Rarity 6. Brilliant Proof 63.

Red and Brown. File marks below first star; eleven large berries except for a tiny one inside wreath near H. Reeded edge, crushed in a plain collar. 5.38 grams.

GRADE_DUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 63 ✓

DESCRIP: A lovely Brilliant Proof, nearly full red in color, with just a whisper of brown forming on the upper devices. The obverse is truly beautiful, but the reverse has some hairlines in the fields. Identifiable by a short lint mark down from the front corner of Liberty's eye, another on her chin and lastly a vertical one on her neck. Well struck, as one would expect from a Brilliant Proof, and worthy of a top-notch collection. One of the most alluring coins in this entire series.

DIE_STATE: Struck before the reverse die was reground and therefore all of the ribbon is sharp (later, when this die was reground the ribbon above the wreath on the left disappears).

PEDIGREE: From Coin Galleries MBS, November 1985, Lot 1463

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-701

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: DESIRABLE 1840 SECOND RESTRIKE

DATE: 1840

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "Second restrike" Snowdon restrike-17. Brilliant Proof 60.
Rarity 7. File marks below first star; small berries, file
marks above RICA., .630 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Cleaned and retoned to a medium brown, evenly dispersed on
both sides. Moderate hairlines in the fields, as is common
to most of these early Brilliant Proof issues. Identifiable
by a shallow staple mark from the chin to the third star
and a spot on the broad rim just above star twelve. Part of
the knife rim on the obverse has been filed down. One of
only a dozen or so known in all grades of this die pairing,
and difficult to find at all, much less finer.

DIE_STATE: Of the dozen or so known, all appear to be in the same die
state.

PEDIGREE: From Stack's store stock

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-702

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: 1841 "ORIGINAL" BRILLIANT PROOF

DATE: 1841

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "Original". Peale Original-2. Rarity 6. Brilliant Proof 60.
Small date punches; large berries. .5-37 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 60 ✓

DESCRIP: Olive brown with considerable original red on both sides.

Well struck at the centers, although some of the dentils below the date show trivial weakness. The obverse has some tiny specks, but none of the usual annoying spots that early copper is so prone to have. Identifiable by a tiny mark below and left of star eleven on the obverse and a short lintmark on the reverse below A2. Today, about 30 pieces are known of this die pairing, and this is one of the most beautiful.

DIE_STATE: Late die state with the obverse crack extending from the rim near star two, through stars three to six and out the rim above star seven. Apparently the planchets were reeded, then struck using a plain collar, which crushed the reeding. A glass reveals evidence of the reeding.

PEDIGREE: From our Moreira Sale, January 1989, Lot 3073, earlier the Philip Showers collection

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-703

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1842

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "Original" Peale original-3. Rarity 6. Very Fine 25. Small digits in date; large berries. .517 grams.

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GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 25 2c

DESCRIP: Light brown with darker areas, but the entire coin has been silvered. Most of the silvering remains near the devices and is more prominent on the reverse than the obverse. Roger noted on the flip that this coin was "an escape to circulation". Others are known with circulation wear, making this a difficult date to find in Brilliant Proof. An affordable example of this rarity.

DIE_STATE: Early reverse die state, before it was ground down resulting in the weakness on the upper left ribbon.

PEDIGREE: From our Wyatt Sale, September 1985, Lot 200

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-704

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: ENTICING 184¹ BRILLIANT PROOF ORIGINAL

DATE: 184¹/3

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "Original" Peale original-4. Rarity-6. Brilliant Proof 55.
Small digits in date, file marks between second and third
stars; large berries., 5.42 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 55 50

DESCRIP: The obverse and reverse are dull and clouded from an ancient
cleaning and with a few too many handling marks. Medium
brown with hints of blue in the fields. While the number
known is still uncertain, it appears that fewer than 20
could be rounded up given a couple of generations and
unlimited funds. Identifiable by a spot on the broad rim
above D and a sharp pin prick below A4 at the central
reverse.

DIE_STATE: Light knife rims as seen on these early originals, and with
the file marks visible on the obverse dentils near the
second and twelfth stars. Also, the recutting at the base
of the 8 is clear. After the dies were polished, the file
marks and recutting are weaker.

PEDIGREE: From our Wyatt Sale, September 1985, Lot 201

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-705

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 362

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1844

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "Original" Peale original-5. Rarity 6. Very Fine 20. Last 4
leans left; large berries. .5.30 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

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GRADE_NO: 20 17

DESCRIP: Even chocolate brown color on both sides. Another rare
Proof-only issue which escaped into circulation for a time.
Identifiable by marks on and near Liberty's chin, left of
the 1 of date and horizontal pinscratches on the central
reverse. Nice color and surfaces otherwise, and one which
would fit nicely in a high grade circulated collection.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: From Stack's Sale, February 1982, Lot 375

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-706

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: SCARCE 1844 "FIRST RESTRIKE"

DATE: 1844

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "First Restrike" Snowden restrike-6. Rarity 6. Brilliant

Proof 60. Last 4 leans left; right side of T4 recut. 5.37
grams.

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Lovely color and surfaces for the grade, but both sides have some rather dark spotting. The obverse has a spot on the B, others on and below the date. Similarly, the reverse has a spot on the left side of the ribbon and other smaller ones scattered about. Minor hairlines in the fields, as nearly always seen on Nineteenth century Proofs. Nevertheless, the color is a light brown with hints of blue in the fields.
Again, about 30 exist today in various grades, and demand remains firm.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex Dave Berg, earlier Philip Showers

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-707

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: CHOICE PROOF 1846 "ORIGINAL"

DATE: 1846

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "Original" Peale original-7. Rarity 6. Brilliant Proof 63.

File marks below date; large berries. 5.46 grams.

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GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 63 ✓

DESCRIP: Well struck with enticing red and brown color and clean surfaces. Struck from clean dies, others appear to have grease or some other foreign matter above CE on the reverse. This example is from the famous Norweb Collection, which was auctioned by Bowers and Merena in 1987. In that sale, it is noted that the date punches have a wholly different character than those of earlier or later years. Clearly, the 8 and 6 are crude in comparison to these other years. This is a delightfully choice coin, free of problems and with incredible color. Probably between 20 and 30% () known, few of which can surpass this coin. + - 7/

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: From Bowers and Merena's Norweb Sale, October 1987, Lot 113; earlier J.C. Morgenthau in 1935

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-708

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1847

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "Original" Peale original-8. Rarity 6. Very Fine 25. Larger date punches; large berries. 5.44 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 25 Awkward

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DESCRIP: Actually, this is an impaired Proof, which spent time in circulation. A shallow test mark on the rim between the seventh and eighth stars on the obverse, other marks along the rim as well. Nice iridescent brown color with hints of blue in the fields, especially on the reverse. Although this coin has seen circulation, it would still fit well in a high grade collection. In fact, many of these early Proof coins were spent during the many depressions that ensued following their issue. Luckily for collectors, most remain in high grade and are still pleasing to the eye. Again, between twenty and thirty known in all grades.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: From Stack's Sale, November 1989, Lot 85

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-709

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: ATTRACTIVE 1849 "ORIGINAL" IN PROOF

DATE: 1849

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "Original". Peale original-10. Rarity 7. Brilliant Proof 60.
Small date; large berries. 5.45 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: A lovely example of this "original" Proof issue. It has long been a controversy if these small date Proofs were issued in 1849 or later, perhaps in 1858-59. This coin has the same character and surfaces of the other "originals" from the 1840's, as well as the same reverse die. Well struck throughout, with a high knife rim around most of the obverse. Identifiable by two tiny marks on Liberty's jaw, and a wonderful example of this great rarity. Only a dozen are thought to survive of this die pairing.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex William R.T. Smith, earlier Lauder, Stack's Holmes' Sale,
October 1960, Lot 1344 and Chapman's Lauder Sale, 1924

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-710

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1849

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MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Mint State 60. Large date; die file lines above NI.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Light brown toning on the obverse, with tinges of mint red near the devices. Similarly, the reverse is brown, but very mottled. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book, both obverse and reverse. Well struck on the dentils, stars and all devices. Rarely found with any original red, 1849 Half Cents are scarce in Mint State. Two microscopic pin marks, one above Liberty, another in the left field below her hair bun.

DIE_STATE: Early die state with the file lines visible above NI.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-675

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 368

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1849

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 20. Large Date. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 20

DESCRIP: *25 cent US*

Dark chocolate color in the fields with lighter devices. Two heavy punch marks on Liberty's chin and a rim mark above O on the reverse. Curiously, the reverse die is rotated 260<198> clockwise.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-676

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 369

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1849

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 35. Large date. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 35 ✓

DESCRIP: Lovely surfaces for the date. Plated, obverse only, in
Roger's first edition. Minor planchet irregularities on
both sides.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-677

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1850

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Mint State 60+. Lower left serif of 1
near dentils; AT and RI touch at base.

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GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Dark brown and very choice with hints of original red
peeking up from the fields. Free of significant handling
marks and worth a strong bid. Well struck, with a knife rim
around the upper obverse, and most of the dentils sharp.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier Walter Breen

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-678

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1850

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40 3c

DESCRIP: Medium brown with typical circulation marks, mostly visible
with a glass. Some minor raised spots on the reverse, below
NIT, and a red area near S OF.

DIE_STATE: Middle die state with some flattening along the reverse
dentils, typical of this era.

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-679

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

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FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 372

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1850

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 35. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 35 *3c*

DESCRIP: Typical color and surfaces for this date.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-680

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 373

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1850

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: F

GRADE_NO: 12 ✓

DESCRIP: Light brown and about average for the grade. Plated, obverse
only, in Roger's first edition.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-681

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: FIERY RED 1851

DATE: 1851

MINT_MK:

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GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 63. Red. Base serif of 1 recut
to right; UN touch at top, RI at base.

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GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 63 /

DESCRIP: A radiant blast of red overwhelms your eye when examined.

Only a few trivial fly specks present on the obverse, and a dark toning spot above LF on the reverse. Although common in most grades, full red examples such as this are always scarce and in demand. Plated, obverse and reverse, in Roger's second edition of <H>American Half Cents.<M> A worthy acquisition for the astute numismatist.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-682

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 375

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1851

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40

DESCRIP: This coin is an oddity, it is very weakly struck along the upper right obverse and corresponding section of the reverse. The reason appears to be a lightweight planchet, coming in about 15% light. Interesting envelopes included discussing the piece from the Munde collection.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, Walter Breen, Jon Hanson and W.K. Raymond

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-683

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 376

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1851

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 25. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 25 /

DESCRIP: Average surfaces and color. Identifiable as the plate coin used for the obverse in Roger's first edition from the minor spots near Liberty's profile. Some verdigris on both sides.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-684

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

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RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: SPARKLING 1852 PROOF FIRST RESTRIKE

DATE: 1852

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "First restrike" Snowden restrike-12. Rarity 5. Brilliant Proof 63. Tiny spine on outer rim above star eight; small berries, T4 doubled on right side of post. 5-32 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 63

DESCRIP: Medium brown with lovely iridescent red and brown hues. A few minor specks can be found with a glass, but they do not detract from this magnificent coin. The mint used a single die to produce Brilliant Proofs, and mated it with three different reverse dies to produce various issues for collectors. Curiously, no <MI>business</MI> strikes were made in 1852, aside from these after midnight <MI>monkey 1851 business</MI> Brilliant Proof issues which were struck closer to 1860 than 1852. Always in demand, and nearly impossible to find better. Best of all, this one includes a wonderful provenance.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: From Bowers and Merena's Norweb Sale, October 1987, Lot 129 and earlier from Kosoff's Palace Collection Sale of King Farouk, February 1954, Lot 1700

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-711

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 378

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1853

MINT_MK:

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GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+." Lump on cheek; T4
slightly recut on left base.

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GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Mostly brown although there is enough original red in the
fields to please the eye. Well struck and lustrous.
Identifiable by a pair of field marks close to Liberty's
nose and a small spot above the right side of N1. Plated in
Roger's second edition, both obverse and reverse. An
excellent selection from this massive offering!

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Late die state with a slanting die file mark from the upper
right of T2 down through its post, below base serif just
left of center.

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-685

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1853

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: VF

GRADE_NO: 20

DESCRIP: The surfaces appear to have been harshly cleaned and now retoned. However, the obverse was plated in Roger's first edition. Some verdigris in the devices.

DIE_STATE: Middle die state apparently, although the cleaning makes it difficult to determine.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-686

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1854

MINT_MK:

63

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. Small date, slanting 5;
both A2 and A3 have line connecting the lower serifs.

Was 65

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Choice red and brown color and very pleasing surfaces. A
glass will locate a few stray marks, but nothing worthy of
note. Free of heavy spotting, and only minimal specks can
be found. Perfect to represent the date.

DIE_STATE: Early die state with a trace of the recut 1 left of the
lower serif.

PEDIGREE:

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-687

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1854

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Subdued mint red on both sides and quite pleasing, in fact, this coin is an excellent match for the preceding in the color department. As Half Cent production draws to a close, many were saved as the last of their kind, accounting for the number of Mint State coins available today. Nominal handling marks on both the obverse and reverse, and, a curious lint mark above the 4 and another in the right obverse field. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book, both obverse and reverse.

DIE_STATE: Later die state than the preceding, the repunching on 1 no longer visible.*PLATED IN THE 2ND EDITION OF ROGERS BOOK*

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier W.K. Raymond

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-688

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1855

MINT_MK:

65

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. Slanting 5's, small date;
spur on dentil over post of E3.

Was "70"

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Mostly red with only a few areas turning light tan. As
usual, the dentils are weakly struck on the obverse and
most of the reverse. Excellent surfaces, which are nearly
free of marks, but both sides have numerous tiny spots.

DIE_STATE: Early enough die state to show the recutting on the second
5, but the spur on the dentil over E3 is weak.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-689

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1855

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40 ✓

DESCRIP: Olive brown on both the obverse and reverse. A single red spot above Liberty's head identifies this as the plate coin from Roger's first edition, obverse only.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex Benjamin M. Douglas

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-690

SORT_SEO:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: CHOICE 1856 JUDD-177 TRIAL PIECE

DATE: 1856

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Judd-177. Rarity 5. Brilliant Proof 60. Copper Nickel. Plain edge. Regular dies. 4.51 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 60

60⁺

DESCRIP: A beautiful example of this scarce issue, flaming red orange color on both sides. Well struck, although using nickel in the planchet made it very hard, hence some of the dentils and parts of the upper devices are a touch weak. Minor verdigris is noted in the devices, mostly discernable with a glass. The planchet is thinner than the regular issue, and lighter weight.

DIE_STATE: These were struck as an experiment by Director Snowden in order to find a better alloy to replace bronze, used on Half Cents and Large Cents until this time, and based on these, the adapted alloy was changed in early 1857.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ricky Gross

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-712

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1856

65

MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. Small date, upright 5;
lump on top of 11.

Wax "70"

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

like handling ms-75

DESCRIP: Frosty with vibrant original red! Excellent surfaces with
~~tiny~~ mark to be found. A single dark spot on the lower
curl, others of less importance. Red Mint State examples
are very tough to find, so be sure to bid accordingly, for
this coin would be difficult to replace.

DIE_STATE: Heavy rust pit on the upper post of 11; ~~as seen on most~~.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

1856 Ray D. Munde 1856

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-691

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 386

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1856

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 50

DESCRIP: Cleaned and retoned with an unusual lilac hue in the fields,
but not too noticeable. Well struck with choice surfaces and
devices for the grade.

DIE_STATE: ~ (unclear)

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-692

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1856

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: AU

GRADE_NO: 55

(GC)

DESCRIP: Lovely surfaces and color. Plated in the first edition of
Roger's <MI>American Half Cents<MH> obverse only. Well
struck from lapped dies.

DIE_STATE: 

PEDIGREE: Ex Benjamin M. Douglas

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-693

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: EXCITING 1857 "RESTRIKE" BRILLIANT PROOF

DATE: 1857

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "Restrike" Snowden restrike-14. Rarity 4. Brilliant Proof

63. Shallow engraving on date; T4 doubled on right post.

1735-82 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 63

DESCRIP: Although one of the more "common" Brilliant Proof Half Cents, this coin should still elicit strong bidding for its glowing red color and mark-free surfaces. The engraving on the date is very shallow, hence the numerals appear shallow when compared with the surrounding devices. Identifiable by a spot on the rim between stars four and five. A real blazer!

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: From Stack's Starr Sale, June 1984, Lot 890

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-713

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: RARE AND DESIRABLE 1857 "ORIGINAL" PROOF

DATE: 1857

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "Original" Snowden original-3. Rarity 7. Brilliant Proof 60.
Large date, BS very close to curls; lump on right side of
A2.-5.46 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Lightly cleaned with resulting hairlines in the fields. Now
toned a medium brown with blue hints on both sides. Boldly
impressed on all but a couple of obverse dentils above
Liberty, the reverse legend is doubled for the most part
(visible with a glass). One of the rarest Brilliant Proof
issues and certain to command the attention it deserves
from knowledgeable collectors.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex W. C. Blaisdell, Del N. Bland and W.K. Raymond

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: B

OWNER_NO: 2-714

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1857

MINT_MK:

60

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Mint State 60+. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Choice red and brown and well struck for this final year of issue. The mint had finally given up on the lowly Half Cent, demand continued to falter and the demands of commerce seemed to pass them by. Hence, 1857 draws to a close this era of the <MI>"Little Half Sister"</MI>. This is the plate coin from the second edition of Roger's book, both obverse and reverse.

Was "70"

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-694

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 391

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1857

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Mint State 60+. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Choice red color on the obverse, with only a few spots. The reverse has a large area of planchet roughness extending from the lower rim up to the top of the wreath, now slightly discolored. However, the surrounding fields and legend are awash in fresh mint red. A desirable coin.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex Steve Fischer

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-695

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 392

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1857

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Mint State 60. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: MS

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Red and brown color with a few scattered spots. Choice surfaces and pleasing for the grade.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex Richard Feingold

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-697

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 393

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES:

DATE: 1857

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. Another.

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40

DESCRIP: Choice brown color and plated, obverse only, in Roger's
first edition.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex New Netherland's

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-696

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE: